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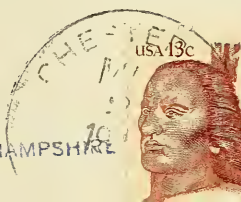
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This Town Report is dedicated to

Gary Aramini


whose run from sea to sea for cancer research

has been an inspiration to all.

This Report is also dedicated to all those whose

contribution both in time and money made Gary's

endeavor such a resounding success.



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TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR

Walter F. St. Clair - 1986

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT

Richardson D. Benton, Chester - 1985-86

Harry E. Flanders, Auburn - 1985-86 Henry Wells, Sandown - 1985-86

SELECTMEN

Percival M. Lowell, Jr. - 1986

Malcolm R. Stone - 1985

Joseph E. Ryan - 1987

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

Barbara L. Gagnon - 1987

TOWN TREASURER

Leonard A. Gallant - 1987

ROAD AGENT

Clarence P. Ware - 1985

CHIEF OF POLICE

Frank A. Wise, Jr. - 1985

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Carolyn Carey - 1990

Ernest S. Edwards - 1986

Jacob Bethune - 1988

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

James Coburn - 1987

Bette H. Benton - 1985

Beverly L. Child - 1986

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Marlene Holmes - 1986

Urquhart Chinn - 1987

Leroy Noyes - 1985

Mary Jean Colburn - 1987

Lois Hazelton - 1985

Gayle Lagana - 1985

GREAT HILL CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Maurice Colman - 1989

Jacob Bethune - 1985

John Colman - 1986

Llewellyn Herrick - 1987

Ernest Edwards - 1988

VILLAGE CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Josef Vaal - 1987

Wayne Towle - 1985

Walter St. Clair - 1986

WILCOMB-TOWNSEND HOME FUND TRUSTEES

Ruth Monish - 1989

Byron Mills - 1985

Philip B. Holmes, Jr.-198

Lois Hazelton - 1987

Marilyn Aramini - 1988

APPOINTMENTS

BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Dianna Charron - 1985

Stephen Bergeron - 1987

Robert Dolloff - 1986

Leonard Gallant - 1986

John Colman - 1987

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Percival M. Lowell, Jr.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Lindsey Rice, Sr. - Director

Scott St. Clair, Assistant Director

Scott Rice - Communications Officer

CHESTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Daniel B. Cole, Chairman - 1987

Luther Grimes - 1985

Eugene Tenney - 1987

Barbara Rice, Treasurer - 1986

Wayne Richardson - 1986

DOG OFFICER

Helen LoPresti

EDWARDS MILL PROJECT COORDINATOR

Robert Pike

CHESTER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Raymond I. Dolloff, Jr.

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Raymond I. Dolloff, Jr.

HEALTH OFFICER

Darrell Quinn

LIBRARIAN

Arlene Delorey

PLANNING BOARD

Denis Maloney, Chairman - 1987

Stephen Landau, Alt. - 1985

Leroy Noyes - 1987

Edwin Mick, Alt. - 1986

Raymond Anderson - 1985

Angelo Lagana, Alt. - 1985

Robert Coggon - 1986

Cynthia D'Agostino

John Spencer - 1985

Secretary/Alternate

Malcolm Stone, Selectman Ex-Officio

POLICE OFFICERS

Gene Charron

Leonard LeClair

Linda Child

Edward Dauphinais

Gordon Quonce

Robert Nicolls - Polls

OVERSEER OF WELFARE

Malcolm R. Stone

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Robert Dentel - 1985

Richard Jaeger, Chairman - 1986

Wilfred McHale - 1987

Wilfred McHale - 1987

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

Linda Child

DEPUTY TREASURER

Joanna Hyatt

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Albert Hamel - 1989

Deborah Healey - 1988

Nicholas Mathios, Chairman - 1986

Althea Alexander, Alt. - 1986

Robert Buelte - 1987

Darrell Watkins, Alt. - 1987

Priscilla Malcolm, Sec./Alt. - 1988

HONORARY APPOINTMENTS

Inspector of Grist Mills, Factories and Sawmills
Ernest S. Edwards

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Steven Child Philip Menard, Sr.

Inspector of Bounds, Claims and Titles

Robert Dolloff Clifton D. Holman

Weigher of Grain and Measurer of Hay and Provender

Llewellyn Herrick Robert Healey

Town Historian

Evelyn Noyes Joan Watts

Surveyor of Wood, Bark and Lumber

Albert Warren Daniel Paris James Towle, Jr.

Inspector of Farms and Firesides

George Goldsmith Richard Wiggin

Keeper of the Town Pound

Arthur Dolloff Fred Hicks

Keeper of the Jacob Chase Horse Block

Robert Nicoll

Consulting Engineer and Maintenance Supervisor
of the Town Chronometer

Bernard Priest

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

As of June 30, 1984

Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 263,750.00
Furniture and Equipment	14,750.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	140,450.00
Furniture and Equipment	80,000.00
Police Department, Lands and Buildings	
Equipment	17,000.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	58,500.00
Equipment	225,000.00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	18,950.00
Equipment	10,000.00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	114,600.00
Sewer Plant & Facilities, if owned by	
Town - Disposal Area	27,100.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings, Equipment	858,050.00
All Lands and Buildings acquired through	
Tax Collector's deeds	56,050.00
All Other Property and equipment	97,850.00
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	\$1,982 050.00

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION 1984

Land	\$ 17,245.235.00
Buildings	25,720,150.00
Public Utilities - Electric	2,352,547.00
Total Valuation Before Exemptions Allowed	45,317,932.00
Exemptions	
Blind (2)	\$ 24,300.00
Elderly (27)	388,100.00
Handicapped (1)	2,878.00
Solar and/or windpower (9)	10,154.00
School Dining Room, Dorm. &	
Kitchen (1)	150,000.00
Total Exemptions Allowed	575,432.00
Net valuation on which tax rate is computed	44,742,500.00

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS
AND TAXES ASSESSED

Total Town Appropriations	+ \$ 620,771.00
Total Revenues and Credits	- 395,995.00
Net Town Appropriations	= 224,776.00
Net School Tax Assessment(s)	+ 1,055,504.00
County Tax Assessment	+ 70,093.00
Total of Town, School and County	= 1,350,373.00
Deduct Total Bus. Profits Tax Reimb.	- 29,305.00
Add War Service	+ 9,050.00
Add Overlay	+ 2,314.00
Property Taxes to Be Paid	= \$1,332,432.00

TAX RATE
1984

\$29.78 per \$1,00.00 valuation		
Town - \$5.25	School District - \$23.01	County - \$1.52

TOWN OF CHESTER
FINANCIAL REPORT
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1984

BALANCE SHEET
Assets

Cash:		
All funds in custody of treasurer	\$338,060.84	
In hands of officials (cash flow)	100.00	
Revenue Sharing - trustee	24,330.97	
Total Cash		\$ 362,491.81
Capital Reserve Funds:		
Fire Truck	8,000.00	
Police Cruiser	3,000.00	
Total Capital Reserve Funds		11,000.00
Unredeemed Taxes:		
Levy of 1983	49,752.16	
Levy of 1982	20,541.75	
Total Unredeemed Taxes		70,293.91
Uncollected Taxes:		
Levy of 1983	4,497.50	
Levy of 1982	2,549.24	
Previous Years	2,691.99	
Total Uncollected Taxes		9,738.73
Total Assets		453,524.45
Grand Total		\$ 453,524.45
Fund Balance June 30, 1983	185,742.52	
Fund Balance June 30, 1984	156,705.96	
Change in Financial Condition	(\$ 29,036.56)	

Liabilities

Accounts Owed by Town:		
Bills outstanding(accts. payable 6/30/84)	13,210.49	
Unexpended Balances of Special Appropriations	11,573.07	
Unexpended Balances of Bond & Note Funds	473.98	
Unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds	24,330.97	
1984 Property Taxes Collected in Adv.	231,499.98	
1984 Resident Taxes Collected in Adv.	4,730.00	
Total Accounts Owed by the Town		285,818.49
Capital Reserve Funds:		
Fire Truck	8,000.00	
Police Cruiser	3,000.00	
Total Capital Reserve Funds		11,000.00
Total Liabilities		296,818.49
Fund Balance - Current Surplus		156,705.96
Grand Total		\$ 453,524.45

RECEIPTS

From Local Taxes: (Collected and Remitted to Treasurer)		
Property Taxes - Current year 1983	\$663,663.18	
Property Taxes - Collected in Adv.	229,567.63	
Resident Taxes - Current year 1983	7,560.00	
Resident Taxes - Collected in Adv.	4,730.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes - 1983	17.50	
Yield Taxes - 1983	2,387.50	
Resident Taxes - Previous year	170.00	
Land Use Change Tax - Curr. & Prior Yr.	10,653.08	
Interest received on Delinquent Taxes	13,199.47	
Penalties: Resident Taxes	141.00	
Tax sales redeemed	88,075.80	
Overpayments	245.51	
Total Taxes Collected & Remitted		\$1,020,410.67
Intergovernmental Revenues		
State Revenue Sharing	59,877.96	
Motor Vehicle Dist. Fees	5,779.08	
Highway Subsidy	17,750.78	
Highway Block Grant Aid	11,833.86	
Supplemental Highway Block Grant Aid	1,734.66	
Business Profits Tax	27,183.24	
Other: Police Dept. Radar Unit	1,028.00	
Fire Warden Training	169.54	
Gas Tax - Police Dept.	381.62	
Gas Tax - Fire Dept.	39.49	
Total Intergovernmental Revenues		125,778.23
Licenses and Permits		
Motor Vehicle Permit fees	91,172.00	
Dog Licenses	2,006.60	
Bus. Licenses, Permits & Filing fees	1,951.50	
Dog Penalties	770.00	
Title Applications	533.00	
Total Licenses & Permits		96,433.10
Charges for Services		
Rent of Town Property	7,545.00	
Building Inspector	1,820.00	
Planning & Zoning	944.50	
Total Charge for Services		10,309.50
Miscellaneous Revenues		
Interest on Deposits	33,860.23	
Sale of Town Property	5,496.42	
Dividends	48.60	
Other Misc.	4,205.18	
Voided Checks	92.31	
Total Miscellaneous Revenues		43,702.74

Other Financing Sources		
Withdrawal from Cap. Reserve	\$ 27,828.56	
Revenue Sharing Fund	18,107.00	
Interest on Investments of		
Revenue Sharing Funds	3,937.43	
Trustees of Trust Funds French Field	280.78	
Trustees of Trust Funds McI. Fund for P.D.	1,117.40	
Trustees of Trust Funds Cemetery	4,059.06	
Total Other Financing Sources		\$ 55,330.23
Non-Revenue Receipts		
Yield Tax Security Deposits	1,104.50	
Current Use Filing Fees	60.00	
Total Non-Revenue Receipts		1,164.50
Total Receipts from All Sources		1,353,128.97
Cash on Hand July 1, 1983		595,107.25
Grand Total		1,948,236.22

PAYMENTS

General Government		
Town Officer's Salaries	12,000.00	
Town Officer's Expenses	16,930.99	
Election and Registration Expenses	1,142.23	
Gen. Gov. Buildings	33,099.36	
Reappraisal of Property & Tax Maps	3,353.13	
Planning & Zoning	5,904.18	
Legal Expenses	22,418.30	
Adv. & Reg. Assoc. SO. N.H. Plng. Comm.	938.70	
P. O. Maintenance	398.41	
Cemeteries	5,881.36	
Total General Governmental Exp.		102,066.66
Public Safety		
Police Department	40,849.60	
Fire Department	22,634.48	
Civil Defense	1,541.25	
Building Inspection	1,577.15	
Crossing Guard	1,379.70	
Total Public Safety Expenses		67,982.18
Highways, Street, Bridges		
Town Maintenance	87,889.68	
Gen. Highway Dept. Expenses	6,466.07	
Street Lighting	1,429.86	
Total Highways and Bridges Expenses		95,785.61
Sanitation		
Solid Waste Disposal	18,742.02	
Tri-County Solid Waste Mgm. Dist.	589.30	
Total Sanitation Expenses		19,331.32
Health		
Health Department	20.00	
Ambulance	13,551.68	

PAYMENTS (cont)

Animal Control	\$ 1,761.27	
Mental Health	1,877.40	
Derry Visiting Nurse Assn.	5,709.00	
Total Health Expenses		\$ 22,919.35
Welfare		
General Assistance	2,241.11	
Old Age Assistance	5,659.26	
Total Welfare Expenses		7,900.37
Culture and Recreation		
Parks & Recreation Comm.	1,859.59	
Library	6,000.00	
Parks & Recreation	2,259.80	
Patriotic Purposes	150.00	
Conservation Comm.	200.00	
Senior Citizens	500.00	
Total Culture and Recreational Exp.		10,969.39
Debt Service		
Principle of Long-term Bond & Notes	5,550.68	
Interest Exp. Long term Bd. & Notes	165.88	
Total Debt Service Payments		5,716.56
Capital Outlay		
Fire Truck	99,998.00	
Land Purchase - landfill	8,500.00	
Handicapped Access	1,500.00	
Town Hall Vault	2,597.31	
Total Capital Outlay		112,595.31
Operating Transfers Out		
Fire Truck	8,000.00	
Police Cruiser	3,000.00	
Total Operating Transfers Out		11,000.00
Miscellaneous		
House Numbering	3,542.79	
Insurance	17,006.41	
Total Misscellaneous Expenses		20,549.20
Unclassified		
Taxes bought by town	70,773.00	
Disc., Abatements and Refunds	1,723.07	
Refund & Payments-Yield Tax Escrow Fd.	1,750.89	
Total Unclassified Expenses		74,246.96
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		
Paymts. to State a/c Dog Lic. fees	227.50	
Taxes paid to County	55,565.00	
Payments to School Dist.	978,889.00	
Total Payments to Other Gov. Div.		1,034,681.50
Total Payments for all Purposes		1,585,744.41
Cash on Hand June 30, 1984		362,491.81
Grand Total		1,948,236.22

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1984

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Uncollected Taxes

Beginning Fiscal Year	1984	1983	1982	Prior
Property Taxes			\$ 823.50	
Resident Taxes			960.00	\$ 820.00
Yield Taxes				2,401.99
<u>Taxes Committed</u>				
Property Taxes	\$519,273.00	\$1,023,718.00		
Resident Taxes	13,100.00	13,070.00		
National Bank Stock Tax	17.50	17.50		
Land Use Change Taxes		10,276.00		
Yield Taxes		3,164.00	2,900.82	
<u>Added Taxes:</u>				
Property Taxes		1,078.00		
Resident Taxes		840.00		
<u>Overpayments:</u>				
a/c Property Taxes	112.99	991.94		
a/c Resident Taxes		10.00		
<u>Interest Collected on Delinquent</u>				
Property Taxes:		13,056.94	142.53	
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		124.00	14.00	3.00
Total Debits	\$532,503.49	\$1,066,346.38	\$4840.85	\$3,224.99

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Remitted to Treasurer

Prior Year - Property Taxes	\$ 353,400.41
Resident Taxes	5,860.00

Remittances to Treasurer

During Year

Property Taxes	\$229,567.63	\$ 663,663.18		
Resident Taxes	4,730.00	7,560.00	\$ 140.00	\$ 30.00
Natl. Bank Stock Taxes		17.50		
Yield Taxes		2,387.50		
Land Use Change Taxes		8,765.00	1,888.08	
Interest Collected During Year		13,056.94	142.53	
Penalties on Resident Taxes		124.00	14.00	3.00
<u>Discounts Allowed</u>	1,819.36	4,831.03		
<u>Over Payments</u>	112.99			

	1984	1983	1982	Prior
<u>Abatements Made During</u>				
<u>Year:</u>				
Property Taxes		\$ 2,030.80		
Resident Taxes		20.00	10.00	\$ 500.00
Yield Taxes (overpayment)		132.52	97.00	
<u>Uncollected Taxes</u>				
<u>End Fiscal Year</u>				
Property Taxes	\$287,886.01	1,691.00	823.50	
Resident Taxes	8,370.00	480.00	810.00	290.00
Natl. Bank Stock Taxes	17.50			
Current Use		1,511.00		
Yield Tax		815.50	915.74	2,401.99
	\$532,503.49	\$1,066,346.38	\$4,840.85	\$ 3,224.99

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara L. Gagnon
Tax Collector

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

June 30, 1984

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	1983	1982	1981	Prev. Year
Balance Unredeemed Taxes Beginning Fiscal Year		\$63,756.75	\$11,121.84	\$1,250.84
Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year	\$70,773.00			
4-4-84				
Interest Collected After Sale &	1,153.25	6,577.28	3,718.94	425.88
Redemption Costs				
TOTAL DEBITS	\$71,926.25	\$70,334.03	\$14,840.78	\$1,676.72

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Remittances to Treasurer During Year				
Redemptions	\$21,020.84	\$43,215.00	\$11,091.04	\$ 873.57
Interest & Costs After Sale	1,153.25	6,577.28	3,718.94	425.88
Abatements During Year			30.80	377.27
Unredeemed Taxes End of Fiscal Year	49,752.16	20,541.75		
TOTAL CREDITS	71,926.25	70,334.03	14,840.78	1,676.72

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara L. Gagnon
Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984

Balance on Hand July 1, 1983

\$568,220.71

Receipts:

Selectmen	\$180,288.23
Town Clerk	96,433.10
Tax Collector	1,020,410.67
Revenue Sharing (as per Town warrant)	24,500.00
Interest:* Money	
Market Acct. -	20,691.60
Cert. of Dep.	13,168.63
Voided checks	585.61
#Transactions be- tween Money Market Acct. & Gen. Fund	<u>1,165,000.00</u>

Total Receipts

\$2,521,077.84

Disbursements:

Selectmen's Order	
Gen. Fund	2,061,237.71
Selectmen's Order	
Money Mkt. Acct.	<u>690,000.00</u>

Total Disbursements

2,751,237.71

(230,159.87)

Balance on Hand June 30, 1984

338,060.84

Cash Detail:

Checkbook balance	6,656.71
Money Mkt. Acct.	<u>331,404.13</u>
	\$338,060.84

* Includes interest from Revenue Sharing of \$858.14 correcting error in entry.

690,000 - deposited to Gen. Fund from Money Market Acct.

475,000 - deposited to Money Market from Gen. Fund

Respectfully Submitted,

Helen Tebo, Treasurer
Town of Chester, N. H.

TREASURER'S REPORTS

July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984

Revenue Sharing Fund

Balance on Hand July 1, 1983 \$ 26,786.54

Receipts:

U. S. Treasury \$ 18,107.00

Interest on Cert.
of Deposit 1,109.45

Interest on Money
Mkt. Acct. 2,825.51

Interest on Sav.
Acct. 2.47

Total Receipts \$ 22,044.43

Disbursements:

Transferred to
Gen. Fund as per
Town Warrant 24,500.00

Total Disbursements 24,500.00 (2,455.57)

Balance on Hand June 30, 1984 \$ 24,330.97

Dr. James F. Brown School Fund

Balance on Hand July 1, 1983 \$ 6,877.80

Receipts:

Interest-United
Fed. Money Mkt.
Acct. \$ 627.49

Dividends-First
Financial 20.40

\$ 647.89

Disbursements:

No funds requested
by Chester School

Balance on Hand July 1, 1984 7,525.69

Respectfully Submitted,

Helen Tebo, Treasurer
Town of Chester, N. H.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1984

Cash on Hand (Cash Flow) July 1, 1983	\$ 100.00
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Receipts:

Motor Vehicle Permits	\$91,172.00	
Title Applications	533.00	
Town Fees	1,951.50	
UCC Filings	\$ 576.00	
Marriage Licenses	112.00	
Fill & Dredge	7.00	
Birth Certificates	9.00	
Marriage Certificates	6.00	
Death Certificates	63.00	
Canine Control	1100.00	
Pole Licenses	25.00	
Bookkeeping Fees	20.00	
Over Payments	15.50	
Filing Fees	18.00	
State of New Hampshire Treasurer	208.00	
Dog Licenses	2,006.60	
241 Males (inc. neutered)	1108.50	
225 Females (inc. Spayed)	817.10	
5 Group License	81.00	
Dog Penalties	770.00	
Total Receipts		\$96,741.10

Payments:

Paid to Town Treasurer	\$96,433.10	
Paid State of New Hampshire Treasurer	208.00	
Total Payments		\$96,641.10
Cash on Hand (Cash Flow) June 30, 1984		\$ 100.00

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara L. Gagnon
Town Clerk

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS
1983-84

TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES

Barbara L. Gagnon Tax Coll. T. Clerk	9000.00
Helen G. Tebo, Treasurer	300.00
P.M. Lowell, Jr., Selectman	1100.00
Joseph E. Ryan, Selectman	534.00
Albert W. Hamel, Selectman	266.00
Malcolm R. Stone, Selectman	800.00

	12000.00

TOWN OFFICERS EXPENSES

Barbara L. Gagnon	149.28
Tom Ray Office Supply	219.48
Postmaster	1225.70
Edith E. Holland	502.00
Nancy E. Gallant	5699.86
Granite State Tel.	609.04
Derry News	98.08
Equity Publishing	221.45
P.M. Lowell, Jr.	173.20
Homestead Press	209.53
State of N.H.	120.86
Linda Child	17.50
Armstrong Graphics	772.50
Young Sales & Service	72.88
N.H. Land Title Service	1890.00
Wheeler & Clark	50.13
The Copy Shop	2.00
Municipal Computer Ser.	908.24
Edw. J. Howard	3.50
Fagerberg Typewriter	113.50
Schwaab Inc.	76.00
N.H. Resource Recov.	44.00
Hill Donnelly Corp.	68.92
N.H. Welfare Administrators Assn.	15.00
Dorothy Cash	106.75
Bette Benton	160.00
N.H. Tax Collectors Assn.	36.50
Taft Business Machines	266.73
Brown & Saltmarsh	33.08
Ross Express	18.00
Jones Office Supply	1306.50
Helen Smith	3.00
N.H. City & Town Clerks Assn.	12.00
N.H. Assn. of Assessing Officials	20.00
Branham Publishing	31.20
N.H. Municipal Association	628.68

TOWN OFFICERS EXPENSES continued

St. Paul Stamp Works	96.48
F.N. Wise	10.05
E. Wise	10.05
Union Leader Corp.	194.84
Gary Aramini Trust Fund	179.75
Sir Speedy Printing	14.95
Ben Franklin	4.38
Ross Catizone	120.00
Kemco Office Products	151.00
Indian Head Bank	22.00
Ed Dauphinais	22.40
Helge Fransen	20.00
Leonard Gallant	200.00

	16930.99

ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION EXP.

Contour Marketing Inc.	238.54
Ernest R. Edwards	111.89
Jacob Bethune	96.00
Carol Carey	87.00
J.R. Pepper Electric	150.00
Benson Lumber	8.80
Barbara Rice	30.00
Barbara Dolloff	30.00
Suzanne Downing	30.00
Marjorie Gould	30.00
Ladies Social Circle	240.00
Armstrong Graphics	90.00

	1142.23

TOWN HALL & OTHER BUILDINGS

Benson Lumber	148.33
Suburban Propane	242.74
J.R. Pepper Electric	1218.49
Edward Evans	55.00
Helen LoPresti	2915.00
Public Service of New Hampshire	670.30
A B C Heating	522.97
Central Paper Prod.	134.46
Alfred Delorey	3266.54
Spolletts	111.44
Ernest Edwards	67.50
Clarence Ware	10.00
Al's Service Station	2493.31

TOWN HALL & OTHER BUILDINGS cont'd.

P & S Office Supply	1014.76
Malloy Sound & Video	33.50
C. L. Haskell & Son	75.00
N. E. Alarm	161.83
Moody Morin	19958.19

	33099.36

POST OFFICE MAINTENANCE

Ernest S. Edwards	140.00
Edward Alexander	122.50
Benson Lumber	70.81
Clarence Ware	65.10

	398.41

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Al's Service Station	4602.57
Granite State Telephone	968.63
Frank A. Wise, Jr.	16318.99
Edward Dauphinais	4915.10
Steven W. Child	307.40
Gladstone Ford	394.28
State of N. H.	175.88
Neptune, Inc.	224.00
Linda Child	3925.44
Benson Lumber	29.99
Gene Charron	216.00
Gorton Communications	1169.95
Tom Ray Office Supply	56.02
Gordon Quonce	1427.00
Leonard Leclair	847.50
Mary Comerford	381.00
Kustom Electronics	2056.00
Anthony Falabella	100.00
Amsterdam Printing	513.02
National Assn. of Chiefs of Police	25.00
Dura Print	166.00
Hatch Printing	549.45
Noren Products	11.96
Civic Supply	310.97
Postmaster	40.00
Permaline Corp. of N. E.	170.62
TAB Police Distrib.	76.80
W. S. Darley & Co.	191.85
Barbara L. Gagnon	6.98
Ben Franklin	130.10

POLICE DEPARTMENT cont'd.

Driver's License Guide	14.45
Equity Publishing Corp.	86.50
Lightning Powder Co., Inc.	113.30
C. B. Electronics	35.00
Golden Falcon Arms	119.91
Young Sales and Service	26.75
Northlite Glass and Aluminum	45.19
N. H. Bar Assn.	100.00

	40849.60

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Vern Evans	190.43
Granite State Telephone	1347.68
Public Service Co. of N. H.	551.92
Al's Service Station	2321.62
Two Way Communications Service	217.55
American Chemical Inc.	387.20
Blanchard Associates, Inc.	1074.88
Raymond I Dolloff, Jr.	90.00
Derry Auto Parts, Inc.	37.62
Town of Derry	960.00
Conway Associates	6276.40
National Fire Protection	62.50
Lawson Products	86.63
Scott St. Clair	10.00
John Colman	16.00
Snap Tite Hose Co.	840.00
Michael Finney	40.00
Colin Costine	15.00
Beaudet Bros.	274.00
Churchville Fire Equipment	316.65
Border Area Mutual Aid	25.00
John Grappone, Inc.	105.45
Hebert Auto Supply	234.93
Manchester Oxygen	7.25
Motorola, Inc.	683.90
Cen-Com	284.93
Brake & Electric Sales	86.50
Great Bay Fire Protection	201.40
I. E. U. Fire Mutual Aid	10.00
Liberty International Truck	56.50
N. H. Firemen's Assn.	200.00
Fire Chief Magazine	21.00
Keystone Battery of N. H.	282.00
Ronald E. Witmer	2400.00
Associated Capital Services of N. J.	514.33
Atlantic Wire Rope	12.75

FIRE DEPARTMENT cont'd.

Pam Gould	50.00
Arthur Dolloff	10.00
Steve Child	139.35
Raymond I. Dolloff, Jr., F.F.Warden	1384.42
Strandell Power Equipment	11.50
Kinney's Garage	657.33
Treasurer, State of N. H.	139.86

	22634.48

PLANNING AND ZONING

Frances Flanders	404.10
Deborah S. Healey	75.00
State of N. H.	3.99
Derry News	599.53
Edith E. Holland	62.00
N. H. Municipal Assn.	184.00
N. H. Land Title Service Co.	13.00
B O C A	106.50
Postmaster	368.64
Equity Publishing Corp.	195.00
Linda Child	7.70
So. N. H. Planning Commission	3109.02
Priscilla Malcolm	308.29
Homestead Press	14.91
Reprotech	290.50
Hatch Printing	100.00
Country Merchant	48.00
Frank A. Wise, Jr.	7.00
Mary Comerford	7.00

	5904.18

INSURANCE

The Insurance Exchange	2936.16
Ferdinando Insurance Associates	13241.25
St. Paul Fire & Marine Ins. Co.	829.00

	17006.41

CIVIL DEFENSE

C. B. Electronics	17.50
Motorola, Inc.	1523.75

	1541.25

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

State of N. H. WS&PCC	20.00

	20.00

MENTAL HEALTH

Center for Life Management	1877.40

	1877.40

DISPOSAL AREA

Dolloff Excavating	16075.00
Edward Evans	2120.00
R. I. Dolloff, Jr., F.F. Warden	229.02
N. H. Resource Recovery Assn.	43.00
B. V. Pearson Assoc.	275.00

	18742.02

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT (Summer)

Elwyn Hobbs	315.00
M. A. Babin Trucking	29379.00
M. A. Babin	3230.50
Brian Healey	90.00
C. Fred Healey	40.00
Jerry Menard	40.00
Leo Leoutsakos	360.00
Barrett Paving Materials	999.80
Ralph Noul	1040.00
Dolloff Excavating	1259.50
Palmer Hurd	2195.20
Edward Arsenault	606.00
Louis E. Page Co.	121.55
Nancy Ware	6.75
Clarence Ware	1256.20
Joseph Stacey	871.85
Chester Forest Products	15.00
R. D. Drowne Trucking	120.00
State of N. H.	187.20

	42133.55

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT (Winter)

Ralph Drowne, Jr.	3287.00
Dolloff Excavating	175.00
Metra Chem Corp.	1571.57

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT (Winter) cont'd.

Fred Healey	60.00
Brian Healey	1285.00
M.A. Babin Trucking	29736.50
Don Carey	2734.00
Carol Carey	432.00
Pat Kipphutt	670.00
Michael A. Babin	949.00
Al's Service Station	104.25
Edward Arsenault	1448.00
Granite State Minerals	3158.81
Richard Emory	145.00

	45756.13

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT (General Expense)

Granite State Telephone	156.97
Public Service Co. of N. H.	131.12
Keystone Battery	32.26
Ron Belisle & Son	800.00
R. C. Hazelton Co., Inc.	988.80
James Towle, Sr.	40.00
Raymond Hardware	295.74
Al's Service Station	4.50
Babin Welding	993.50
El-Mar Co., Inc.	286.31
Alco Equipment	151.25
Steve's Welding	204.00
M. Lowell & Sons	95.00
Michael A. Babin	26.77
Pat Kipphutt	2259.85

	6466.07

STREET LIGHTING

Public Service Co. of N. H.	1429.86

	1429.86

LIBRARY

Chester Public Library	6000.00

	6000.00

LEGAL

Larson and Associates	20688.30
Miller Engineering and Testing	1100.00
P. M. Lowell, Jr.	30.00
Frank A. Wise, Jr.	30.00
Raymond I. Dolloff, Jr.	30.00
Deidre Cleary	40.00
Leo Dube, D.V.M.	500.00

	22418.30

ANIMAL CONTROL

D. Christopher Lawson	50.00
Benson Lumber & Hardware	109.92
Helen LoPresti	746.70
Edward Dauphinais	606.00
Frank A. Wise, Jr.	222.65
Windham Animal Hospital	16.00
N. H. SPCA	10.00

	1761.27

CROSSING GUARD

Albert P. Estes	324.85
Elizabeth Roberts	438.00
Marie Ann Clement	616.85

	1379.70

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

N. H. Assn. of Conservation Comm.	95.00
Chester Conservation Commission	105.00

	200.00

BUILDING INSPECTOR

BOCA International	286.50
P. M. Lowell, Jr.	931.00
Linda Child	218.75
Office Dimensions	140.90

	1577.15

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Treasurer, State of N. H.	2241.11

	2241.11

TOWN POOR

Leander J. Paradis	2547.00
Prescott Farms	579.46
Dayn Gebo	136.08
Bertram D. Astles	307.50
Nephrology Associates	1240.00
Joseph Tropiano	386.00
Al's Service Station	30.00
Shaw's Supermarket	388.22
Rockingham County	45.00

	5659.26

AMBULANCE SERVICE

Town of Derry	13551.68

	13551.68

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Michael R. Noyes	1800.00
Penn Culvert	459.80

	2259.80

CEMETERIES

Strandell Power Equipment	721.20
Benson's Hardware	699.36
Joseph Wood	74.38
Robert Lefevre	180.00
Glenn Bethune	272.00
Sarah Wood	188.00
Justin Gebo	25.00
Nelson Menard, Jr.	256.50
Truman S. Britton	2752.75
James W. Towle, Jr.	47.00
R. C. Hazelton Co., Inc.	29.87
Harold Estey Lumber	102.00
Dolloff Excavating	270.00
M. Lowell & Sons	70.00
Richard Brown	113.00
Al's Service Station	30.30
Wendy Menard	50.00

	5881.36

APPRAISALS AND TAX MAPS

Donald W. Dollard	3353.13

	3353.13

RECREATION COMMISSION

Rila Precast Concrete Products	46.00
Waste, Inc.	147.14
Hans Akselsen	131.45
P & R Excavation	1535.00

	1859.59

CHESTER SENIOR CITIZENS

Chester Senior Citizens	500.00

	500.00

DERRY VISITING NURSE ASSN.

Derry Visiting Nurse Assn.	5709.00

	5709.00

HOUSE NUMBERING COMMITTEE

Treasurer, State of N. H.	1133.55
Raymond Hardware	101.64
Frank A. Wise, Jr.	40.20
American Sign	2235.00
Benson's Hardware	32.40

	3542.79

TRI COUNTY SOLID WASTE

TriCounty Solid Waste Mgmt. Dist.	589.30

	589.30

LAND PURCHASE-LANDFILL

Mary and Raymond Smart	7500.00
B. V. Pearson Assoc.	1000.00

	8500.00

SO. N. H. PLANNING COMMISSION

So. N. H. Planning Commission	938.70

	938.70

PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

American Legion Post 108	150.00

	150.00

HANDICAPPED ACCESS

Leonard A. Drew	1500.00

	1500.00

FIRE TRUCK

Pierce Manufacturing, Inc.	99998.00

	99998.00

TOWN HALL VAULT

Fred Cole	2050.00
J. R. Pepper Electric	407.78
Benson Lumber & Hardware	139.53

	2597.31

DISCOUNTS, ABATEMENTS & REFUNDS

Arthur H. Sanborn	8.26
Chester Forest Products	76.80
Robert Stilwell	166.50
Dennis Thorell	196.61
Paul Thibeault	3.22
Alan Southwick	284.52
Paul Fuchs	6.07
Bert Holland	11.22
R. A. Fitz	96.11
Gail Troy	3.51
Kenneth & Hazel Williamson	40.00
J. Paris et al	190.00
Arthur Kinsman	26.81
Helen McCusker	6.98
Wesley & Martha Jerome	41.08
Linda Columbus	10.00
Leroy & Dorothy Scott	14.00
Joanne Greer	3.50
Barbara Dolloff	13.00

DISCOUNTS, ABATEMENTS cont'd.

Cathy Hurteau	6.00
Edward & Geraldine Sargent	119.38
Jay West	20.25
Kevin Scott	3.00
Fred Simpson	3.00
Mrs. Ed Flaherty	22.00
Robert H. Brackett	8.00
Barbara Paris	32.00
Paul Katz	24.94
Julio Aramini	4.57
True and Noyes	93.52
N. H. Pulp & Lumber	23.00
Wayne Towle	11.00
Lewis Landclearing	5.00
Suzanne McHale	19.00
William Chiras	17.00
John & Dorothy Kemp	20.00
Vita Strachwitz	12.60
Perley Arthur	6.59
Richard Noyes	9.94
Michael Schenk	8.51
Ronald Martin	6.60
Richard LeBlanc	4.89
Robert W. Pitcher	4.48
Ralph Bacon	5.06
Robert Perron	5.69
Llewellyn Herrick	7.70
Margaret Hazelton	8.22
Gertrude Lordi	6.09
Knealand Hatch, Jr.	6.85
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	1723.07

CHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

Chester School District Treasurer	978889.00
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	978889.00

CAPITAL RESERVE

Bette Benton, Trustee of Trust Funds	11000.00
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	11000.00

TRANSFERS & CERTS. OF DEPOSIT

Town of Chester, Treasurer	375000.00
First Saving & Loan Assn. of N.H.	100000.00
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	475000.00

POST OFFICE NOTE

Derry Bank & Trust Co.	5716.56

	5716.56

TIMBER TAX BOND

Town of Chester, Tax Collector	1750.89

	1750.89

DOG LICENSE FEES

State of N. H.	227.50

	227.50

COUNTY TAXES

Rockingham County Treasurer	55565.00

	55565.00

TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN

Town of Chester, Tax Collector	70773.00

	70773.00

GIORDANI & LORTIE, PROF. ASSN.

Certified Public Accounts

Town of Chester
Selectmen's Office
Chester, N. H. 03036

To The Board of Selectpersons:

We have made a study and evaluation of the system of internal accounting control of the Town of Chester at June 30, 1984. Our study and evaluation was conducted in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

The management of the Town of Chester is responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal accounting control. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of control procedures. The objectives of a system are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Because of inherent limitations in any system of internal accounting control, errors or irregularities may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the system to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the procedures may deteriorate.

Our study and evaluation disclosed the following conditions in the system of internal accounting control of the Town of Chester at June 30, 1984, which, in our opinion, result in more than a relatively low risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements may occur and not be detected within a timely period.

TOWN OF CHESTER

General Fund

Duties and Responsibilities

All officials and employees should have the duties defined by some form of a manual. This would assist in fixing responsibilities, eliminating ambiguities and providing for an efficient system of control.

Surety bonds

The State of New Hampshire requires certain Town employees and elected officials to be bonded. Once bonded, a copy of the surety bond must be sent to the Department of Revenue Administration for their approval. The surety bonds for the fiscal year end have not been sent or approved.

It is recommended that copies of the bonds be sent for approval as soon as possible.

Expenditures, Receiving and Accounts Payable

During the course of the audit it was noted that upon payment of invoices they were not properly cancelled. In addition, the approval or acknowledgement of the items received were not always signed by the appropriate official/department head.

We suggest that a rubber type stamp be purchased to be used to cancel and show approval for all invoices where applicable. Procedures should be typewritten and distributed to all department heads for notification. It should also be signed by the selectmen for proper authorization.

We also observed that gas slips for the Police and Fire Departments were not attached to statements for support documentation. These slips should be attached to the applicable statement for; authorization, signature, vehicle type and existence purposes in the future.

Accounts payable and encumbrances should be recorded by the Town when reports are issued. Depending on the nature and amount of the payables and encumbrances it could lead to a distortion of the financial data being reported.

It being understood the Town's officials are very cost conscious, they should discuss the development of a system of accounting for payables and encumbrances. The additional information provided would be reflected in the expenditure accounts. This would update the accounts and the review of actual versus budgeted can be more accurately acted upon. Such procedures would also comply with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governments for using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Accounts Receivable

Receivables have not been recorded by the Town in the past but should be to provide accurate financial data. The same principles that apply to accounts payable and encumbrances also apply to receivables as mentioned above.

Property and Equipment

The Town does not maintain records of general fixed assets such as property and equipment with a life expectancy exceeding one year. The recording of fixed assets would fulfil the need to provide for physical dollar value control, and establish accountability for general government capital expenditures over the year.

With the recording of fixed assets, the related depreciation could be determined on an annual basis for the purpose of measuring total cost of governmental services and evaluating the efficiency of programs.

Long-term Debt Accounts

It has not been a practice of the Town to record its debt obligations as a separate fund for accounting purposes. This fund would provide for annual debt service funding as well beginning and ending debt balances.

This is a generally accepted accounting principle and recommend that this fund be used for future financial reporting.

Review of Insurance Coverage

The insurance coverage on equipment, vehicles and Town owned properties has not been reviewed or appraised by a qualified individual or insurance agent.

It is recommended that the selectmen review the insurance policies as to the coverage and compare the coverage against reported appraised values on all Town properties. This would insure proper dollar value coverage was being provided through insurance.

Other Funds/Accounts

We observed that the Town treasurer has been in control of the Dr. James Brown fund, Town of Chester bequest and the Edwards Mill fund. These accounts should be in custody of the Trustees of Trust Funds and not with the Town treasurer.

Please refer to the trust fund and agency account account caption for policy provisions.

Trust Funds

Dual signatures should be maintained over all investment type documents securing the funds for the Town and protecting the trustees accordingly.

The savings passbooks, certificates of deposit and safe deposit box have single signatures on their authorization cards. For proper internal accounting control for safeguarding assets, a dual signature system should be implemented.

Issuing 1099's

Any individual working for the Town of Chester, Town Cemetery Fund or other commission who earns in excess of \$600.00 during the calender year, must be issued a 1099.

The Town selectmen should inform all other commissions working within the Town, that 1099's for 1984 must be issued before February 1st of the following year.

Police Department

The Police Department receives funds from pistol permits, issuing accident reports to insurance companies and contributions from citizens and businesses; they also disburse funds for police expenses.

Pursuant to RSA 41:29 duties: "The Town treasurer shall have custody of all monies belonging to the Town, and shall payout the same only upon order of the selectmen". It is recommended that the police department turn over the unexpended balance in the checking account to the treasurer including all future monies received. The police department should increase their

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annual budget to cover all added expenses, being disbursed from this checking account.

Any questions relating to the above management letter will be discussed in detail upon request. We look forward to serving you in the future.

Very truly yours,

Giordani & Lortie, Prof. Assn.
Certified Public Accountants

BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

This committee has met several times over the past months with all of the individuals responsible for both the Town operating budget and capital expenditures. We worked with the individuals to utilize either a zero-based budget or to justify expenditures within the budget. We were reasonably successful in this attempt and as a committee we intend to further implement this process in the next year. Following is a list of our recommendations on the monetary items within the Town budget:

Article 12: Administrative Assistant - \$12,000.

This committee recognizes that a qualified part-time person would in fact both generate funds for the Town and trim expensive operating expenses, therefore this committee recommends that the monetary portion of this article be adopted.

Article 15: Land Survey - \$125,000.(also \$125,000. per annum for 9 years)

Article number 40 addresses and rectifies this situation in time at no cost to the Town. This article 15 is entirely without merit and should not be passed. The committee is unanimous in this opinion.

Article 16: Police Department - \$59,974.

Prior year appropriation was \$40,000. This is an increase of \$19,974. or 50%. A majority of the budget committee is of the opinion that \$13,000. of this increase is not justifiable and therefore it is recommended that this article be reduced to \$46,874.

Article 24. Town Road Maintenance \$105,000.

Prior year appropriation was \$75,000 after eliminating \$30,000 for special road reconstruction. The increase is \$30,000 or 40%. The budget as presented to this committee was unable to justify \$25,000 of the increase. There were not any excess reconstruction items presented. The committee recommends this article be reduced to \$80,000. (\$47,500 for winter and \$32,500 for summer.)

Article 26: Town Garage Addition - \$15,000.

It is the opinion of the committee that due to the condition of the existing building and location, this expenditure cannot be justified. We recommend this article be rejected.

Article 37: Mossman Property Purchase - \$240,000.

This is a one-time opportunity for the Town to purchase acreage in the center of Town. A public hearing has been held and we urge the Townspeople to vote their preference.

It is the unanimous opinion of the budget committee that all other monetary articles are justified and we recommend acceptance of these in the total amount of \$327,245.

Respectfully submitted,

Leonard Gallant, Chairman
Stephen Bergeron
Diana Charron
Robert Dolloff
John Colman

**TOWN WARRANT
&
BUDGET**

TOWN WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

The Polls will be open from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Chester, N. H., in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Stevens Memorial Hall in said Chester on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of May next, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act on Articles #1 through #4. Propose to close polls at 7:00 P.M. After ballots are counted, adjourn meeting until Wednesday, May 15, 1985, at 7:00 P.M. Proposed that Articles #5 through #50 be taken up at 7:00 P.M., Wednesday, May 15, 1985.

Article 1. To choose all necessary Town officers for the ensuing year.

Article 2. Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by petition of voters for the Town of Chester Zoning Ordinance as follows: This proposal permits multi-family development anywhere in Zone A by special exception, not to exceed a total of 100 dwelling units, of which at least 20 percent shall be reserved for occupancy by low-income and moderate-income families. (Not approved by the Planning Board.) See posted amendments.

Article 3. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Chester Zoning Ordinance as follows: This proposal permits multi-family development anywhere in Zone A by special exception subject to conditions. Maximum unit per acre density may be increased if at least 25 percent of dwelling units are reserved for occupancy by low- and moderate-income families. See posted amendments.

Article 4. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Chester Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amendment No. 3 adds a new Article to the Zoning Ordinance which is a Growth Management Interim Regulation pursuant to RSA:674:23 which will limit the number of building permits issued to 30 from the date after Town Meeting to the date of the next regular Town Meeting. This regulation will expire at the next regular Town Meeting. See posted amendments.

Article 5. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors and Committees of Officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$81,600.00 as may be necessary to defray Town Charges (TC) for the ensuing year. (See TC Budget figures.)

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,625.00 for the maintenance of Stevens Memorial Hall and other Town buildings and properties.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000.00 to cover the cost of insuring Town property, Town Officers and Town employees.

- Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,000.00 to defray the expenses of the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Adjustment.
- Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,018.02 to continue membership in the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission.
- Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 for the maintenance of the Post Office.
- Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 to be used for an interim Administrative Assistant to the Selectmen. This person may, with the unanimous approval of the Board of Selectmen, be one of the Selectmen, provided this individual can contribute at least twenty hours per week to administer all the Town affairs in a professional manner in addition to the time required for normal Selectmen's meetings and business.
- Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,175.00 to survey the Chester/Raymond Town line.
- Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to survey the Chester/Sandown Town line.
- Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125,000.00 to commence detailed and accurate total mapping of all parcels of land in the Town of Chester to comply with RSA 31:95a. It is anticipated that a similar article will appear annually for ten years until project is completed at an anticipated cost of \$1,250,000.00.
- Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$59,974.00 to defray the expenses of the Police Department.
- Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,000.00 to build and furnish office space for the Police Department in the basement of Stevens Memorial Hall.
- Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund.
- Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 to defray the expenses of the Fire Department and equipment, and authorize the withdrawal from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund the sum of \$18,000.00 for use as a setoff against the budgeted appropriation.
- Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 to defray the expenses of Forest Fires, Fire Trails and equipment.
- Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 for the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund.
- Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 to defray the expenses of the Building Inspector.

- Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for the continuance of the School Crossing Guard Program at the intersection of Route 102 and Route 121 for the school year 1985-86.
- Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$105,000.00 for the maintenance and improvement of highways. (\$65,000.00 for summer and \$40,000.00 for winter --- includes Highway Block Grant Aid in the amount of \$34,219.81.)
- Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 to defray the General Expenses of the Highway Department.
- Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 to build an addition to the Town Garage.
- Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,300.00 to defray expenses of the Disposal Area.
- Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to defray expenses of the Solid Waste Implementation Plan.
- Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,900.00 to defray expenses of the Derry Fire Department Ambulance Service and authorize withdrawal from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund the sum of \$6,400.00 for use as a setoff against the budgeted appropriation.
- Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to defray the expenses of Animal Control.
- Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,122.00 to aid in the support of the Center for Life Management. (Mental Health Center.)
- Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,904.00 for membership for one year in the Derry Visiting Nurse Assn.
- Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000.00 for the care of Town Poor and it's share of Old Age Assistance. (Town Poor - \$40,000.00; O.A.A. - \$20,000.00)
- Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for support of the Chester Public Library.
- Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for the recreation of Chester Senior Citizens and authorize withdrawal from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund of this sum.
- Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 to be used to develop and improve recreation facilities by the Parks and Recreation Commission.
- Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$240,000.00 to purchase the following described property: (land and buildings owned by Charles R. Mossman located on Raymond Road, being Lot 19 on Tax Map 5, being more fully described in deed of Marianne Mossman to

Charles R. Mossman recorded in Rockingham Registry of Deeds, Book 2208 Page 1748) and, in order to pay for such property, to authorize the Selectmen: (a) to borrow \$100,000.00 upon such terms as may be arranged with lenders, and to issue notes and bonds therefor and authorize payment of interest, and to pay \$100,000.00 to Charles R. Mossman on or before July 5, 1985; and (b) to borrow \$140,000.00 from Charles R. Mossman at no interest, and to issue a note therefor providing for payment of said amount in five consecutive annual payments of \$28,000.00 commencing July 5, 1986.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to elect the Police Chief pursuant to RSA 41:47, to be effective at the May 1986 Town Meeting.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a road agent to become effective in May of 1986 all pursuant to RSA 231:62.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to require that all real estate transfers in the Town of Chester be made pursuant to survey plan prepared by registered land surveyors with an error of closure not less than 1:10,000 in order to develop compliance with RSA 31:95a.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following resolution Resolved, that the planning board is authorized, pursuant to RSA 674:43 I, to review and approve or disapprove site plans for the development of tract for nonresidential uses or for multi-family dwelling units, which are defined as any structures containing more than two dwelling units, whether or not such development includes a subdivision or resubdivision of the site and resolved further that, pursuant to RSA 674:43 II, it shall be the duty of the town clerk to file with the Rockingham County Register of Deeds a certificate of notice showing that the planning board has been so authorized and giving the date of such authorization. The authority conferred by this resolution is in addition to the authority conferred on the planning board by vote of the Town, May 1979, to review site plans for nonresidential uses.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to enact the following ordinance:

1. Purpose: the purpose of this ordinance is to enable the Town to regulate the use of the Town dump in accordance with sound solid waste disposal practice under the authority of RSA 149-M.

2. Definitions: "Person" means any natural person, corporation, partnership or other legal entity. "Hazardous Waste" means a solid, semi-solid, liquid or contained gaseous waste, or any combination of these wastes which, because of either quantity, concentration, physical, chemical or infectious characteristics may cause or contribute to an increase of irreversible or incapacitation reversible illness, or pose a present or potential threat to human health or the environment when improperly treated, stored, disposed of, or otherwise mismanaged; or has been identified as a hazardous waste by the bureau of hazardous waste using the criteria established under RSA 147-A. Such wastes do not include radioactive substances that are regulated or controlled by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended as defined in the State of New Hampshire Division of Public Health Sewers Solid Waste Rules.

3. Eligible Persons: No person shall deposit solid waste at the Town dump except residents of Chester or commercial collectors depositing waste collected within the Town of Chester.

4. Hours: No person shall deposit solid waste at the Town dump except during regular hours of operation or with the express permission of the dump operator or other authorized official.

5. Hazardous Waste: No person shall deposit any form of hazardous waste at the Town dump unless a designated receptacle for it is provided by the Town.

6. Separate Dumping Areas: The dump operator or other authorized official shall establish separate dumping areas for such types of waste as are required or deemed convenient, including but not limited to brush for burning; demolition debris; bulk metal; putrescible matter; stumps; and tires.

7. Authority of Dump Operator: All persons shall obey the lawful instructions of the dump operator or other authorized official with respect to separation of waste into designated categories; bagging waste to prevent litter; dumping of waste at designated areas; traffic circulation and other phases of operation of the dump.

8. Penalties for Violations: Any person violating this ordinance shall be subject to revocation of dump privileges and, upon conviction, may be fined in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00.

9. Effective Date: This ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to enact the following ordinance:

1. Purpose: The purpose of this ordinance is to implement and enforce the House Numbering System adopted by the Town at the 1983 annual meeting.

2. Administration: The building inspector, under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, shall administer and enforce this ordinance.

3. Number Plates: The building inspector shall provide each owner or occupant of residential or business premises with number plates displaying the number assigned and shall direct each such owner and/or occupant as to the placement of such plates to ensure visibility from the highway.

4. Owner and Occupant's Responsibility: Each owner and/or occupant shall thereafter be responsible to display the assigned number plates in the prescribed location and manner.

5. Penalty: Any person who violates this ordinance by failing to display number plates as required shall be subject to a penalty of up to \$1,000.00 for each offense, the amounts so collected to be paid to the general fund of the Town.

6. Enforcement: The Town may also enforce this ordinance by any other appropriate legal action.

7. Effective Date: This ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to save any employee, board member or officer of the Town harmless for loss or damage to him while acting within the scope of his employment or office all as provided in RSA 31:105.

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction any real estate acquired by the Town at a Tax Collector's sale, provided however, that instead the Selectmen may reconvey such real estate to the taxpayer or their heirs and/or devisees at their discretion if they deem it advisable.

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell surplus Town equipment at public auction or by sealed bids.

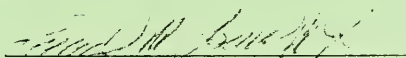
Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to make application for, to receive and to spend in the name of the Town, such advances, grants-in-aid, or other funds for Town purposes as may now, or hereafter be forthcoming from Federal, State, local or private agencies that would be of benefit to the Town.


Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

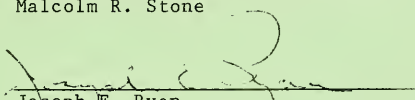
Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to allow a discount of 1% on all property taxes paid within ten days after mailing of property tax bills.

Article 50. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this fifteenth day of April, in the year of our Lord, Nineteen hundred and eighty-five.


Percival M. Lowell, Jr., Chairman


Malcolm R. Stone


Joseph E. Ryan
SELECTMEN OF CHESTER

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CHESTER, N. H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year from July 1, 1985 to June 30, 1986.

Purposes of Appropriation:	Appropriation 1983-84	Actual Expenditure 1983-84	Appropriation 1984-85	Appropriation 1985-86
General Government:				
Town Officer's Salary	\$ 12,500.00 TC	\$ 12,000.00 TC	\$ 13,500.00 TC	\$ 14,700.00 TC
Town Officer's Expenses	12,500.00 TC	16,930.99 TC	20,000.00 TC	26,650.00 TC
Election and Registration Expenses	1,000.00 TC	1,142.23 TC	1,200.00 TC	1,450.00 TC
Cemeteries	2,500.00 TC	5,881.36 TC	5,000.00 TC	5,000.00 TC
General Government Buildings & Properties	10,000.00	33,099.36	15,000.00	16,625.00
Reappraisal of Property and Tax Map	5,000.00 TC	3,353.13 TC	4,000.00 TC	4,000.00 TC
Planning and Zoning	8,000.00	5,904.18	8,000.00	13,000.00
Legal Expenses	10,000.00 TC	22,418.30 TC	20,000.00 TC	20,000.00 TC
Post Office Maintenance	1,783.44	398.41	6,547.24	4,000.00
Southern N. H. Planning Commission	938.70	938.70	1,034.54	1,018.02
Audit Fees	3,000.00			
Administrative Assistant				12,000.00
Raymond/Chester Town Line Survey				1,175.00
Sandown/Chester Town Line Survey				2,000.00
Total Town Land Survey				125,000.00
Public Safety:				
Police Department	33,000.00	40,849.60	40,000.00	59,974.00
Fire Department	19,500.00	22,634.48	20,500.00	22,500.00
Civil Defense	1,500.00 TC	1,541.25 TC	1,500.00 TC	1,500.00 TC
Building Inspection	1,000.00	1,577.15	1,500.00	3,500.00
School Crossing Guard	1,500.00	1,379.70	1,500.00	1,500.00
Bliester Rust and Care of Trees	250.00 TC		250.00 TC	250.00 TC
House Numbering	3,750.00	3,542.79		
Highways, Streets and Bridges:				
Town Maintenance	72,186.27	87,889.68	116,349.80	105,000.00
General Expense Highway Department	3,500.00	6,466.07	3,500.00	3,000.00
Street Lighting	1,800.00 TC	1,429.86 TC	1,800.00 TC	1,800.00 TC

Town Road Aid	6,055.29				
Bridge Rail Replacement		64,400.00			
Sanitation:					
Solid Waste Disposal	19,000.00	18,742.02			22,300.00
Tricounty Solid Waste Management Dist.	589.30	589.30			
Solid Waste Implementation Plan	700.00				1,000.00
Land Purchase-Landfill	8,500.00	8,500.00			
Monitoring Wells-Disposal Area		15,000.00			
Health:					
Health Department	500.00	20.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Derry Ambulance Service	12,055.80	13,551.68			10,900.00
Animal Control	2,000.00	1,761.27			2,000.00
Mental Health	1,877.40	1,877.40			2,122.00
Derry Visiting Nurse Assoc.	5,709.00	5,709.00			6,904.00
Vital Statistics	50.00				
Welfare:					
General Assistance	5,000.00	5,659.26			40,000.00
Old Age Assistance	7,000.00	2,241.11			20,000.00
Special Town Meeting Approp.		100,000.00			
Culture and Recreation:					
Library	6,000.00	6,000.00			10,000.00
Parks and Recreation	2,500.00	2,259.80			
Patriotic Purposes	150.00	150.00			150.00
Conservation Commission	200.00	200.00			600.00
Chester Senior Citizens	500.00	500.00			600.00
Parks and Recreation Commission	5,000.00	1,859.59			2,500.00
Debt Service:					
Notes - Post Office	5,716.56	5,716.56			4,500.00
Interest Expense - Mossman Property					5,000.00
Interest Expense - Tax Anticipation Notes	7,500.00				

Capital Outlay:				
Handicapped Access	3,500.00	1,500.00	27,000.00	
Town Hall Vault		2,597.31		
Fire Truck		99,998.00		
Wing Assembly			4,000.00	
Sander			8,000.00	
Police Dept. Office Space				7,000.00
Town Garage Addition				15,000.00
Purchase of Mossman Property				240,000.00
Operating Transfers Out:				
Fire Truck (Capital Reserve)	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	12,000.00
Police Cruiser (Capital Reserve)	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	5,000.00
Miscellaneous:				
Insurance	17,500.00	17,006.41	20,000.00	35,000.00
Totals - Appropriations	\$ 333,811.76	\$ 476,815.95	\$ 620,769.89	\$ 888,718.02
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive of Taxes				\$ 488,121.81
Amount of Taxes to be Raised (Exclusive of School and County Taxes)				\$ 400,596.21
Sources of Revenue:	Estimated Revenue 1983-84	Actual Revenue 1983-84	Estimated Revenue 1984-85	Estimated Revenue 1985-86
Taxes:				
Resident Taxes	\$ 13,070.00	\$ 12,460.00	\$ 13,100.00	\$ 14,000.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	25.00	17.50	25.00	25.00
Yield Taxes	2,000.00	2,387.50	2,500.00	2,500.00
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	5,500.00	13,340.47	16,000.00	11,000.00
Land Use Change Tax		10,653.08	6,805.00	5,000.00
Intergovernmental Revenues - State:				
Shared Revenue - Block Grant	28,382.00	59,877.96	16,242.00	20,000.00
Highway Block Grant	29,585.00	13,568.52	30,216.77	34,219.81

Business Profits Tax	27,183.24			
Highway Subsidy	17,750.78			
Motor Vehicle Distribution	5,779.08			
Gas Tax	421.11	300.00		300.00
Other Reimbursements	1,197.54			
Licenses and Permits:				
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	91,172.00	105,000.00		100,000.00
Dog Licenses	2,006.60	1,000.00		850.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing fees	1,951.50	6.00		7.00
Other	1,303.00	1,000.00		1,000.00
Charges for Services:				
Rent of Town Property	7,545.00	7,500.00		7,920.00
× Building Inspector	1,820.00	1,000.00		2,500.00
Derry Ambulance Service		700.00		1,500.00
Planning and Zoning	944.50	600.00		800.00
Miscellaneous Revenues:				
Interest on Deposits	33,860.23	20,000.00		18,000.00
Sale of Town Property	5,496.42	10,000.00		
Trust Funds	5,457.24	2,000.00		2,500.00
Miscellaneous	4,253.78	1,000.00		1,000.00
Other Financing Sources:				
Proceeds of Long-Term Notes (Mossman Prop.)				240,000.00
Withdrawal from Capital Reserve	27,828.56			
Revenue Sharing Fund	18,107.00	21,000.00		25,000.00
Fund Balance		140,000.00		
Totals - Revenues and Credits	\$ 366,382.61	\$ 395,994.77		\$ 488,121.81

NOTES

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

This past year saw the continuation of the upgrading of systems and space within the Town Hall.

The handicapped access ramp, while not complete, is well on the way to being finished.

The heating system for the office areas has been improved to allow for heating the basement rooms being planned for the Police Department.

Another fire-proof file cabinet has been purchased for use in the Town Clerk's office.

We have continued to attempt to update the tax maps to comply with the current RSA and you will note that the voters will have a warrant article on that subject to address at this year's Town Meeting.

The Town books are now being audited on an annual basis by a professional auditing firm whose recommendations are now being implemented.

With the additional land acquired at the disposal site, we now have the buffer zone required by the State. Also, we now have an accurate survey of the disposal site and, in addition, we now have an accurate layout of the Chester/Raymond town line in the area of the landfill. The monitoring wells will hopefully be installed this summer and another requirement of the State will be completed. Effective Saturday, July 6, 1985, the disposal area hours will be changed to 8:00 Am. to 2:00 P.M. - Saturdays only. This schedule will be in effect year round. This schedule change is due to the State requirement that waste cannot be left uncovered overnight. Additionally, we have been working with the Tri-County Solid Waste Management District to arrive at a contract with Citizens Vicon to allow us to dispose of our solid waste at the new Trash to Energy plant in Manchester when our landfill can no longer be used.

Work on the Post Office to correct the roof problems has been completed and the outside painting is in the process of being completed. New upstairs windows are being installed where needed. New hand railings, as required by the Postal Inspectors have been installed.

Arrangements have been made with the State for the design and construction of the new bridge over the Exeter River on Fremont Road, but it appears actual construction is still some two years away.

The Selectmen have been able to negotiate an option with Mr. Charles Mossman for his property adjacent to the Town athletic fields and cemetery. A warrant article to exercise this option will be presented at this year's Town Meeting. We strongly feel that the passage of this warrant article will be the last chance for the townspeople to avail themselves of the opportunity to obtain this land for future expansion of Town facilities. If the townspeople feel that at any time in the future this land will be needed by the Town, then we strongly urge you to vote for this proposal.

Respectfully submitted,

Percival M. Lowell, Jr., Chairman
Malcolm R. Stone
Joseph E. Ryan
Chester Board of Selectmen

REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

Every year in Chester is a busy year, but 1984 had two additional features, which made it super-busy. It greatly pleased me to participate, in a small way, as a member of the "Gary Aramini Support Group"; it was a never to be forgotten moment when Gary achieved his goal of jogging coast to coast, at Hampton Beach on August 27th. Again, in a small way, I worked with the Chester Fire Department in the celebration of the 50th anniversary of its founding in 1934; my part, to be in charge of the dedication of the monument to "all who served", and to secure a commendation from the Governor of New Hampshire, for a half-century of outstanding service. Being a part of these events deeply impressed me, to note the will and ability of people from many walks of life to work together in pursuit of a common goal.

As you did in 1974, you again elected me to represent you in the 1984 Constitutional Convention, and you re-elected me to serve an 8th term in the state legislature. Among the bills I sponsored in the 1985 session is one which, if enacted into law, would prove of great value to all New Hampshire fire departments, as it would provide funds, not from the public, but from fire insurance companies, for the training of fire service personnel. In line with my practice of seeking guidance from the residents, I asked your feelings about the observation of Memorial Day, should it continue to be observed on May 30th, or should it be changed to the "4th Monday in May"? Of those who responded to my note in the Derry News, the great majority said "don't fix it".

In Chester I continue to serve as the Chairman of the Highway Safety Committee (7th year), and as the Clerk of the "House Numbering Committee". To advise residents of "what to do", "where to dine" and "where to bike", I distributed copies of "N. H. Events and Attractions", "N. H. Lodging and Dining Guide" and maps of "N. H. Bicycle Paths". The 6th annual "Band Concert on the Lawn" was held at White Pines College, and was well attended; a similar event is scheduled for July, 1985.

It's always interesting to look back to yesteryear. From the Town Report of 1963, my first of 7 years as a Selectman of Chester; on the cover is a photo of our new "Howe" fire truck. Exactly 20 years later, the cover of the 1983 Town Report shows a picture of our new "Pierce" fire truck. Both the "Howe" fire truck, and myself, are still in service, in Chester, we make things last!

Respectfully Submitted,

Richardson D. Benton
Representative

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT
1984

We would like to thank everyone that has helped the police department in reporting by telephone, suspicious persons and vehicles in their neighborhood.

Also, thanks go to all the surrounding towns, State Police and the Sheriff's Department for their continued help and support.

To reaffirm what we have said in past years, we are still having problems with our telephone answering system. You must let the telephone ring three times, if it is not answered by a member of the police department. After three rings, the telephone call is transferred to Rockingham Dispatch, and they will in turn dispatch the departments accordingly.

Thanks for your cooperation in this matter.

The following officers are on the department to date 4-1-85.

CHIEF

Frank A. Wise Jr.

OFFICERS

Gene Charron
Edward Dauphinais
Linda Childs
Leonard Leclair
Gordon Quonce

Robert Nicoll - Special Officer - Polls
Helen LoPresti - Dog Officer

POLICE DEPARTMENT - 1984 - CALLS ANSWERED

Accidents	53
Accidental Alarms	30
Assist to Dog Officer	28
Assist to Motorist	21
Assist to Other Departments	45
Bench Warrants	31
Burglaries	6
Car fires	1
Criminal Trespass	2
Cruelty to Animals	1
Domestics	10
Deaths	1
House Checks	41
Incidents Reported	51
Juvenile	11

Livestock Calls	12
Missing Persons	1
Stolen Vehicles	1
Subpoenas	14
Suspicious Persons	31
Suspicious Vehicles	48
Telephone Calls to Police Dept.	3,549
Theft	8
Ticket Violations	256
Ticket Violations (court trials)	8
Vandalism	11

Respectfully submitted,

Frank A. Wise, Jr.
Chief of Police

CIVIL DEFENSE REPORT

Last year three mobile radios were purchased and installed in the highway trucks that are leased to the Town. This enabled the road agent contact with his men. Further crystals were installed in the base station of the Fire Department and some of the fire trucks. Also, the police cruiser and five portables. With this coordinated effort, the Town departments can use the Town's own private frequency for in-town work.

In 1985, we hope to purchase bases for the police and highway departments use. Bids have been received and it is hoped we can install these units this summer. We would therefore request our funding to remain the same as last year.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsey Rice, Director
Scott St. Clair, Asst. Director
Scott Rice, Communications Off.

CHESTER FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The past year included memorable occasions for the Chester Fire Department. We put our new truck in service and celebrated our 50th birthday.

With the shortage of manpower during working hours, we equipped our new truck so small crews would be able to make an effective attack and get back in service with the least amount of work. It has proven that planning and purchasing good apparatus pays off.

Our training presents varied challenges from cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (C.P.R.) to being involved in hazardous materials incidents.

Our members have work and training sessions on Tuesday and Sunday. Specialized training sometimes requires a whole weekend dedicated to the cause.

We appreciate the dedication of our members who give up their free time so they will be trained to help their fellow man.

Our ~~50th~~ birthday will be remembered by all as a real special time. We had a cookbook, dances, novelty items, and a banquet and parade that made all proud to be part of the town of Chester and its fire department. I want to at this time thank all individuals and committees that made it a great success.

The department recognizes the work of the House Numbering Committee as great steps forward in rendering emergency service as well as delivery of packages. It was a change that had to come. Thanks for a good job.

As our town grows, we all have to realize the load it puts on our volunteer department. Only with proper planning, installation of sprinkler systems, detectors, water holes and modern equipment will we be able to handle the job. We must think of this when voting on the housing changes for our town.

Thanks for helping us by preventing fires. Fire prevention is cheap, it's something we can all do by cleaning our chimneys more than once a year, be careful how we store ashes, be careful with smoking and most of all teach our young people to not play with matches and other dangerous materials. Lets hope for less loss due to fires this coming year, with us all working together we can do it.

The following are the calls we responded to and our roster for January 1, 1984 to December 31, 1984.

Chimney fires	14	Automobile accidents	16
Structure fires	3	Emergency Medical	
Vehicle fires	5	Service calls	<u>22</u>
Brush fires	12		38
Alarm activations	24		
Mutual aid	5		
Drills	2	Total Responses	114
Miscellaneous	<u>11</u>		
	76		

MEMBERS 1984-85

Chief Raymond I. Dolloff	
Dep. Chief Alfred Delorey	
Lt. Steven Child	Firefighter - EMT
Lt. John Colman	Firefighter
Lt. Arthur Dolloff	Firefighter - EMT
Lt. Scott St. Clair	Firefighter
Bragdon, John	Firefighter
Barnett, Geoffrey	Firefighter - EMT
Boynton, Douglas	Firefighter
Boynton, William	Firefighter
Cadieux, Jack	Firefighter
Camilliere, Frank	Firefighter
Carlese, Richard	Firefighter
Costine, Colin	Firefighter - EMT
Colman, Charlotte	Dispatcher
Dolloff, Robert	Firefighter
Finney, Michael	Firefighter - EMT
Folsom, Brian	Firefighter
Gesel, Martin	Firefighter
Gould, Pamela	Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)
Jolicoeur, Dennis	Firefighter
Leighton, Dean	Firefighter
Lowell, Mark	Firefighter
Pepper, John	Firefighter
Pinault, George	Firefighter
Quinn, Barrell	Firefighter
Rice, Lindsey, Jr.	Firefighter
Rice, Scott	Dispatcher
Rossetti, John	Firefighter - EMT
Rossetti, Lori	Dispatcher
Scott, Kevin	Firefighter
Scott, Theodore	Firefighter
Strandell, Dennis	Firefighter
Watkins, Darrell	Firefighter
Wilson, Steve	Firefighter

Respectfully Submitted,

Raymond I. Dolloff
Chief

TOWN FOREST WARDENS AND STATE FOREST RANGER REPORT

Our first forest fire prevention law was enacted by our State Legislature 90 years ago. This early law set in place a cooperative forest fire prevention and suppression effort between city and town governments and State government. It simply stated that no open fire could be kindled, when the ground is free of snow, without the written permission of the town/city Forest Fire Warden. This law also stated that anyone kindling a fire without written permission shall be liable for the damage caused and subject to a \$1,000.00 fine.

During the past 90 years, this law has worked so well that it has remained unchanged. All open fires when the ground is not covered with snow must be authorized by the local Forest Fire Warden. Persons kindling a fire without a permit when one is required are liable for damages caused, fire suppression costs and subject to a \$1,000.00 fine.

This cooperative fire prevention law has contributed significantly to our nationally recognized annual forest fire loss record.

1984 STATISTICS

	<u>State</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>City/Town</u>
No. of Fires	875	437	12
No. of Acres	335	268	7

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Salamy, Forest Ranger
Raymond I. Dolloff Jr.,
Fire Warden

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
REPORT OF ROAD AGENT

Summary of Highway Expenditures - 1984

Winter Money

Monies used in the plowing, grading, sanding and salting of roads. Also, to purchase salt and gravel.

Summer Money

Monies used to purchase coldmix, sand, gravel, culverts and street signs.

Roads Graveled - Clark, Lane, Harantis Lake, Shattigee, Cole, Deep Hole, Shepard Home, Hanson, Ledge, Hall's Village, Birch, Smith, Roberts and East Derry Road.

Road Mix put on - Raybeck, Candia, North Pond and Lane Road. All paved roads have been patched.

Culverts put in - Wells Village, Ledge, Rod & Gun, Shepard Home and Birch Road.

Culvert work on - Hanson and Halls Village Road.

A turn around built on the Hanson Road at the Chester Raymond town line. Work done jointly with the Raymond Highway Department. All gravel roads have been graded and raked. Bushes have also been mowed. Trash along the road side has been picked up, with the help of the police chief and his work crew.

I would like to thank all who worked for and supported the Highway Department.

Respectfully Submitted,

Clarence Ware
Road Agent

REPORT OF THE CHESTER HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE

The Chester Highway Safety Committee met seven times during 1984; all meetings were publicized in the Chester column of the "Derry News", and through notices on local bulletin boards. The public is always welcome.

There has been a significant drop in the number of children who walk to school; for the period September through December, 1983, 2,563 pupils crossed Rt. 102, during the same period in 1984 only 1,812 youngsters crossed the intersection. We can only attribute this decline to the fears of parents, who do not want their children to walk alone, for good reason, on the open highways. Marie Clement and Betty Roberts continue to carefully watch the children when they cross Rt. 102.

There were 54 motor vehicle accidents/collisions in 1984, greatly exceeding 25 in 1983. A part of the increase may be attributed to the population growth in Chester and the surrounding towns, which has resulted in a higher density of vehicles on the state highways and town roads in Chester. A careful review of the accidents, to determine their causes, reveals the same reasons, year after year. Drowsiness at the wheel, driving too fast for road conditions, failure to heed double yellow lines, "yeild" and "stop" signs, carelessly backing out of drive-ways, and the usual "DWI"s.

We have publicized and encouraged the use of seatbelts and child restrainers, and we have again posted "tips for safer winter driving" in public places.

A "bicycle safety clinic" (6th) was held in May, a practice "emergency school bus evacuation" was held shortly after the start of school in August; on New Year's Eve, in an effort to reduce instances of DWI on the highways, the Safety Committee offered free coffee and donuts in Town Hall, (not at town expense) to passing motorists. Traffic was very light through Chester on New Years Eve, and there were no takers for the free snacks.

The Chairman has sought assistance from Gov. Councillor Louis Georgopoulos and Sen. William Bartlett, to try to expedite action on the project to straighten Route 102 at the Chester/Raymond town line; this is a million dollar plus project, and requires constant imploring, needling and prodding, which is just what we intend to do.

We are always open to ideas which will improve highway safety, write, phone or drop in to our meetings.

Chester Highway Safety Committee:

Rep. Richardson D. Benton, Chairman
Joseph E. Ryan, Selectman
Raymond I. Dolloff Jr., Fire Chief
Gene Charron, Chester Lions Club

Frank Wise Jr., Chief of Police
Ronald Hilfiker, Chester School
Clarence Ware, Road Agent
Marie Clement, Public Member

REPORT OF HOUSE NUMBERING COMMITTEE

The Numbering Committee, established by vote of the Town Meeting of 1983, will complete the task of installing metal stakes, with reflectorized number plates attached, at all Chester residences, places of business, etc. by the 31st of March, 1985. This includes the affixing of two number plates on each stake on Derry Road to assure easy visibility from both the Chester and the Derry side of the stakes. All other roads in the town have the numbers facing the direction from which emergency vehicles would approach.

The Town Meeting of 1983 appropriated \$3,750.00 for the House Numbering Project. A grand total of \$3,859.24 was actually expended, the overage being caused by the additional numbers on the Derry Road and the new houses built after the original order for numbers was placed.

As of April 1, 1985, the House Numbering Committee will go out of existence. All future requests for new and replacement stakes and numbers will be handled by the Building Inspector and the costs will be included in the building permits.

The Committee has received many favorable comments as to the value and efficiency of the house numbering from out-of-town visitors, commercial delivery services, repair and utility companies and most especially from ambulance and emergency drivers.

The Committee would like to thank Douglas Boynton, William Boynton, Richard LeBlanc, Darrell Watkins, Darrell Quinn, Arthur Dolloff, Michael Colman, Steph Landeau, Malcolm Stone, Linda Child, Steve Child, Darryl Colman, Colin Costine, Michael Babin, J & F Farms, Public Service of N. H., and Herb McFarland for their time and effort in making this project a success. A special thank you to Dean Leighton who volunteered a tremendous amount of work to the Committee.

The members of the committee are pleased to have been of service to the Town of Chester and its residents. We have the satisfaction of knowing that we have planned and implemented a project that will be of long term benefit to the people of Chester.

Respectfully Submitted,

John T. Colman, Chairman

Members: John Colman, Chairman
Rep. R. D. Benton, Clerk
Frank Wise, Jr., Chief of Police
James Gratton, Postmaster
Charlotte Colman, Fire Dept.
Leroy Noyes, Planning Board

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS
Fiscal Year Ending

Date of Creation	Name of Fund	Purpose of Fund	How Invested
	<u>Village Cemetery Funds</u>	Village Cemetery	
Various	Varicus	Perpetual Care	Various
3/12/83	Ethel Mackintosh-Cem.	Undesignated	Bank Dep.
9/30/83	Dorothy Everett	Perpetual Care	Bank Dep.
	<u>Great Hill Cem. Funds</u>	Great Hill Cem.	
12/24/46	Great Hill Cemetery	Perpetual Care	Bank Dep.
	<u>Amos Tuck French Fund</u>		
12/13/43	Amos Tuck French	Perpetual Care Ball Field Main.	Bank Dep.
	<u>Chester Vol. Fire Dept. Fund</u>	Fire Prevention	
2/1/78	Ch. Vol. Fire Dept.(R. Ray)	Equipment	Bank Dep.
3/14/83	Ch. Vol. F. D. (E. Mackintosh)	Undesignated	Bank Dep.
	<u>Chester Police Dept. Fund</u>	Prin. & Int.	
3/14/83	Chester P. D. (E. Mackintosh)	Undesignated	Bank Dep.
	<u>Chester Library Fund</u>		
2/10/10	George W. Stevens	Town Library	Bank Dep.
1/2/31	John C. Chase	Town Library	Bank Dep.
1/24/79	Ruth Ray Library-Cash	Town Lib.(T)60% School" (S)40%	Bank Dep.(T&S) Bank Dep.
4/24/79	Ruth Ray Lib. Securities	Tn. Lib. (T)60% Sch. Lib. (S)40%	Stocks,Bds. & (T&S) Notes (Cap & Coupons)
	<u>Wilcomb-Townsend Fund</u>	Town Poor	
1915	Wilcomb Home		Bank Dep.
1927	Lydia A. Newell		Bank Dep.
1927	Lydia A. Newell		Bank Dep.
2/46	Wilcomb-Townsend Home		Bank Dep.
2/46	Wilcomb-Townsend Home		Bank Dep.
7/15/60	Wilcomb-Townsend Home		Bank Dep.
2/8/46	Wilcomb-Townsend Home		Bank Dep.
3/14/72	Wilcomb-Townsend Home		
1970	Wilcomb-Townsend Drawing Fund		Bank Dep. Vot. Tru. Cert.
2/1/82	Wilcomb-Townsend		Bank Dep.
2/5/83	Wilcomb-Townsend		Bank Dep.
2/9/84	Wilcomb-Townsend		Bank Dep.
	<u>Capital Reserve Funds</u>		
1/3/79	Cap. Res. Fire Dept.	Fire Tr. '83	Bank Dep.
12/15/83	Cap. Res. Fire Dept.	Fire Tr. '83	Bank Dep.
12/15/83	Cap. Res. Police Dpt.	Police Cruiser	Bank Dep.

GRAND TOTALS

TOWN OF CHESTER, N. H.
June 30, 1984

PRINCIPLE			INCOME			
Balance 7/1/83	New Funds Created	Balance 6/30/84	Balance 7/1/83	Income	Expended	Balance 6/30/84
\$ 25,267.51	(300.34)		\$ 10.00	\$ 2,910.84	\$ 2,920.84	
1,000.00	(1,000.00)	-0-		95.43	95.43	
	500.00			42.79	42.79	
26,267.51	(800.34)	25,467.17	10.00	3,049.06	3,059.06	-0-
20,915.20	2,812.50	23,727.70		2,828.87	2,828.87	
5,000.00		5,000.00	217.12	458.88	147.50	
					280.78	247.72
5,000.00		5,000.00		476.22	476.22	-0-
1,000.00		1,000.00	23.40	97.67	-0-	121.07
1,000.00	(1,000.00)	-0-	23.40	94.00	117.40	-0-
339.80		339.80		40.41	40.41	
500.00		500.00		59.45	59.45	
266,775.17	1,584.00 T&S		T&S	38,167.13	28,778.65(T)	.18
	144.19 T&S	268,503.36T&S	T&S	9,797.67	19,185.85(S)	.12
101,900.87	(133.06)T&S		T&S	9,797.67		
	1,232.00 T&S	102,999.81T&S	T&S	(9,797.67)		
369,515.84	2,827.13	372,342.97		48,064.66	48,064.36	.30
4,466.98		4,466.98	185.75	409.47	373.94	221.28
8,907.29		8,907.29	370.39	816.51	745.66	441.24
4,389.32		4,389.32	181.01	403.30	367.34	216.97
11,500.00		11,500.00	493.55	1,117.42	1,032.04	578.93
6,614.61		6,614.61	272.78	607.76	553.58	326.96
7,264.21		7,264.21	299.57	667.44	607.94	359.07
10,000.00		10,000.00	816.07	1,676.47	1,774.33	718.21
5,144.00		5,144.00	212.13	472.64	430.50	254.27
48.47		48.47	3.56	5.54	6.93	2.17
1,030.80		1,030.80	42.00	102.00	90.00	54.00
3,735.75		3,735.75	266.60	583.76	575.17	275.19
4,051.54		4,051.54	132.50	380.42	343.38	169.54
-0-	2,401.88	2,401.88	-0-	104.79	-0-	104.79
67,152.97	2,401.88	69,554.85	3275.91	7,347.52	6,900.81	3722.62
20,000.00	(20,000.00)	-0-	7296.59	531.97	7,828.56	-0-
-0-	8,000.00	8,000.00		482.88	-0-	482.88
-0-	3,000.00	3,000.00		181.09	-0-	181.09
20,000.00	(9,000.00)	11,000.00	7296.59	1,195.94	7,828.56	663.97
\$515,851.52	(2,758.83)	513,092.69	10,846.42	63,612.82	69,703.56	4,755.68

Trustees: Bette Benton, Beverly Child, James Coburn

CHESTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

The Norton Road, which gives access to 143 acres of the Town Forest, was repaired this Summer. This tote road is not for unauthorized vehicle traffic. It can be used for hiking, horseback riding and cross country skiing.

Beaver ponds create a problem on this road when water is high.

It is our responsibility to check Dredge & Fill locations. We have tried to be cooperative with everyone on this.

To all those who are conservation minded, we welcome your ideas.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel B. Cole, Chairman

Members: Daniel B. Cole
Eugene Tenney
Barbara Rice
Wayne Richardson
John Spencer

FINANCIAL STATEMENT CHESTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Balance - June 27, 1983	\$725.44
Income from Town	105.00
Interest	<u>42.94</u>
Balance - July 3, 1984	\$873.38

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Rice, Treasurer

FINANCIAL STATEMENT CHESTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION FOREST MAINTENANCE FUND

Balance - June 27, 1983	\$1,496.74
Interest	<u>87.98</u>
Balance - July 3, 1984	\$1,584.72

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Rice, Treasurer

CHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY

TREASURER'S REPORT

July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984

Receipts:

Balance on hand	3.68
Town Appropriation	6000.00
Stevens & Chase Fund	108.76
Mary E. Dodge Fund	612.44
Fines	334.74
Donations	184.17
Ruth Ray Fund	3000.00
Non Residence Fee	20.00
Friends of Library	380.00
Town, for copy paper	3.00

Total Receipts	\$10,646.79
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Disbursements:

Salary-Librarian	5995.50
Salary-Staff	1104.25
P. O. Box Rent	17.00
Library Business Supplies	385.01
Telephone Toll Calls	15.60
N. H. Lib. Assoc. Dues	10.00
Books, Mags. & Newspapers	3104.36

Total Disbursements	\$10,631.72
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Balance on Hand	15.07
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Cash Fines	\$109.15
Pd. Out Postage	95.00
Pd. Out Bldg. Supplies	14.15

Respectfully Submitted,
Arlene Delorey
Librarian

REPORT FROM THE CHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Library has entered the electronic age. Book orders are no longer typed in alphabetical order, by title and publisher. Now the "ROSE" does the work via the telephone. Let me introduce Rose, it is a hand held electronic device about the size of a calculator with as many buttons. Rose stands for remote ordering system. The book ordering numbers are punched into the Rose, I usually order forty books at once but any number no matter how large or small is accepted. Then the Rose is connected to the telephone and an 800 number is dialed. The voice from the computer sounds like an electronic monster, it says, "Please send." Then, "Message Received." Next day mail brings a print-out of the order. A week later the books are delivered by express from the Brodart Pub. Co. A great time saver. Come to the library and meet Rose.

Seven thousand and thirty-eight books were issued this year. Two thousand four hundred and thirty six were issued to the children. One hundred and four books were borrowed from the State Library to supply our patrons with needed materials that we did not have.

The Book of Knowledge Encyclopedia Issued in 1984, has been added to the collection of non-fiction for our Junior High students. It replaces the 1984 edition that was given to us because it had one book missing! Never mind, we made good use of it. The new edition is appreciated and made possible by the library's generous benefactor, Ruth N. Ray.

The display case for changing exhibits is on your left as you enter the library. Our displays change with the holidays or seasons or at the whim of the librarian. May we borrow your hobby or small collectables sometime? If a numismatic or a philatelic lives in the town please offer your collection for a display. The case is kept locked at all times. The display case was given in memory of Edward J. Murphy, Library Trustee from 1970-1982. The Trustees hosted a Dedication Ceremony and the first display were things depicting events in the life of Mr. Murphy.

The Friends of the Library, provide many extras that we otherwise would be unable to handle. They meet monthly and have very interesting programs, both men and women attend. They manage the Story Hours and the Reading Club for school age children during the summer. They also provide the brightness of decorations that go along with the holidays. There is a need for more members. We could use your help to start a book discussion group, and out of that a recommendation list for the book ordering department. We need to reach shut-ins with good literature. Do you write poetry, or appreciate poetry, or have a poem book that you can donate to the library? The poetry committee would like to hear from you. Sign up to be a member of FRIENDS at the library.

The Trustees hold monthly meetings to discuss the ways and means of the library. They are very supportive of the extra activities. Their encouragement is appreciated by the librarian and the members of FRIENDS group. They see that the grounds and building are maintained in the way that Mrs. Ray would approve.

New books given as gifts, usually in memory of another person, make a lasting tribute and will be used far into the future, thirty two were provided this past year. Thank you all very much.

I wish to thank Mrs. Balk for her time and talent that she so generously shares with the library. Mrs. Melvin Balk is starting her third year as a paid staff member. She enjoys working with the students and understands their requests for help because Judy is also a substitute teacher. Mrs. Balk and Dr. Balk are both thanked for the gift of two different sets of books that they donated, as well as two magazine subscriptions.

As you know, this report covers the past year. The following paragraph is an invitation to come to the library on June 13, 1985.

Gary Aramini is going to present the Library with the American Flag that flew over the Capital on August 26, 1984. You are cordially invited to attend this up-coming social event at seven in the evening. Come and join in on the good things that are planned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Arlene F. Delorey, Librarian

Trustees are:	Marlene Holmes	1986
	Mary Jean Colburn	1987
	Urquhart Chinn	1987
	Lois Hazelton	1985
	Leroy Noyes	1985
	Gayle Lagana	appointed

The Library Hours are: Tuesday 10 A. M. - 4 P. M. Thursday 10 A. M.
- 8 P. M. Friday 10 A. M. - 4 P. M. Saturday 10 A. M. - 2 P. M.

RUTH RAY FUND - LIBRARY

July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984

Balance on Hand June 30, 1983

\$38,039.45

Receipts:

Trustees of Trust Funds		\$28,778.65
Interest		
Derry Bank & Trust		
Now Acct.	\$ 105.50	
Money Mkt.	1642.92	1,748.42
NOW Acct. from Money		
Mkt.		5,000.00
Gift Trustees Spec. Acct.		
Derry Bank & Trust		790.57
Savin copier, fees		77.00
Chester Public Library		
Supplies	1.89	
Tele. Tolls	15.60	17.49

Total Receipts

(\$36,412.13)

\$74,451.58

Disbursements:

Custodial, R. Healey	\$ 87.50	
E. Menard	431.25	
A. Delorey	8.00	526.75
Eastern Lib. Interiors		
display cabinet		845.00
Ind. Head Natl. Bank		
of Derry		
3rd payment on		
10 yr. loan	13,860.00	
Check voiding fee	10.00	13,870.00
Granite State Tel. including tolls		180.17
Public Service Co. of N. H.		617.91
Chester Public Library,		
books, NOW Acct.	2,250.00	
Money Market	750.00	3,000.00
Library Contingency Fund		107.00
LeBlanc Heating, furnace and air		
cond. maintenance		209.20
N. H. Lib. Trustees Assoc. dues		24.00
Conway Office Supply, Savin service		
& material		328.40
Moody-Morin, vestibule ret. &		
Leuvers		809.00
Al's Service Station, 646.3 gal.		
furnace oil		670.94
Jones Office Equip., elec. type		
Maintenance		69.40
L. Noyes, 4 drawer metal file & equip.		138.00
Misc. supplies		101.34

Money Market transfers to NOW Acct.	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>\$26,497.11</u>
Balance on Hand, end Fiscal Year		\$47,954.47
Cash Detail:		
Checkbook balance	\$29,230.97	
Money Market	<u>18,723.50</u>	
	\$47,954.47	

Respectfully submitted,

Lois B. Hazelton
Treasurer

RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT

Year Ending June 30, 1984

During the past year we had a new backstop put on the 60 foot diamond at the French field. We had fencing, that we previously bought, installed in front of the dugouts.

We had the trees removed between the French field and the Nichol's field. This should cut down on the abuse to the dugouts on the French field.

During the past year, the French field saw the school teams, (baseball and softball), plus volunteer run baseball programs, (little league, majors, minors, and peewee). There was also a soccer program held this past fall. Plus other uses. From what I know of (650-700) hours of use.

Again this year we will be the coordinator for ballfield use. Please contact us for scheduling so your group will be able to have fun, not conflict.

The clearing of Nichol's field was done courtesy of Wayne Towle. The rotatilling and rolling of both infields was done courtesy of Kevin Scott.

We have some other small (?) work projects that we feel should be done on the French field.

Every year:

Remove weeds from infield and general cleanup (volunteer done)

Periodic items:

Loosen infield

Add stonedust/sand

One time items:

a) finish/refinish the dugouts (small diamond)

b) replace bench on large diamond

c) install second bench at large diamond

Our next item to work on is the Nichol's field.

a) parking lot

b) ball field

Other suggestions?

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Jaeger, Chairman
Robert Dental
Will McHale
Greg Lowell

VILLAGE CEMETERIES REPORT

1984-85

Due to a combination of circumstances, i.e. rising costs, and declining interest rates, the Village Cemeteries can no longer depend entirely on the proceeds of "perpetual care" trust funds to completely maintain the cemeteries.

RSA 289:6 states in part that the "town must raise and appropriate sufficient funds - to provide for suitable care and maintenance of the public cemeteries within its confines". Irregardless of statute, to not do so would reflect poorly on the character of Chester as a town.

With an anticipated expenditure of \$3,365.00 for 1985-86, and an anticipated income from trust funds of \$2,500.00 for that period, we will have a balance of \$865.00 which should be raised by the town.

It should be noted that the budget figure given is for general maintenance only, and does not include monument repairs or large scale grading, both of which need to be done.

The extensive monument repairs needed are due to "vandalism" - a term inadequate to describe what has occurred. The grading should be done in order to reduce the maintenance time now required.

The same statute quoted above advises that the town "provide and maintain around all such cemeteries a good and sufficient fence, and to supply the same with necessary gates". This would mean running such fence between the cemetery and the ballfield to the southeast, and othertown land on the northeast. While not eliminating the "vandalism", it would make it more difficult and apprehension of the perpetrators easier.

For the Trustees of the Village Cemeteries

Walter F. St. Clair, Clerk

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD FOR 1984

	Subdivision	Lot	Approval	
Year	1981	1982	1983	1984
Number	10	0	17	54

Fees Collected: \$569.50

During the past year, the Planning Board continued its normal subdivision review process, as well as, continued work on the Master Plan, Capital Improvements Program and prepared two proposed changes to the Chester Zoning Ordinance.

In conjunction with the work on the Master Plan, a soils study of Chester was conducted by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Soils Conservation Service. The results of this study have been completed and a scale map showing locations of various soil types in Chester has been prepared. The Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission (SNHPC) has completed work on most of the remaining maps which will be used in the Master Plan, including interpretive, as well as, existing feature maps. The SNHPC has also completed several studies including a cultural survey which was used to identify areas suitable for historic preservation and also useful in providing information on existing land use. The Planning Board itself has compiled results of the Attitude Survey sent out in 1984. These results will provide a base line for judging Chester's attitudes on land use management. In conjunction with the Attitude Survey, a Citizens Advisory Committee was established in March by the Board. This Citizens Advisory Committee will assist the Board with long range planning goals which must be addressed in the Master Plan. The Citizens Advisory Committee was divided into several subcommittees. Each subcommittee has as its primary responsibility to study one aspect on long range planning for the Master Plan. The Board has also compiled information on current Town characteristics such as types of land use, population densities, economic development and status of various future trends which may develop based upon current growth and development patterns. With the help of the SNHPC and the people of Chester, we anticipate, that the Master Plan will be substantially complete by the statutorily imposed deadline of January 1, 1986.

The Board has also prepared two proposed changes to the Chester Zoning Ordinance which may be voted upon at the Town meeting of May 14, 1985. The first proposed change to allow multi-family housing will address Chester's need to provide a realistic opportunity for low-moderate income housing in Chester. This proposed change is in response to recent Court decisions which have stated that Town zoning should provide a realistic opportunity for development of low-moderate income housing in order to address local, as well as, regional needs. The second proposed change is a temporary growth management ordinance which, if approved by the voters, will expire at the next Town Meeting. This temporary ordinance will give Chester, and in particular, the Planning Board time to finish the Master Plan and Capital Improvements program, as well as, assess and absorb the current growth experienced during 1984 and expected during 1985. It will also give the Board an opportunity to

fully consider what Chester's and the regional housing needs are and how they may best be addressed. It will also give the Town time to expand to meet expanding demands for Town services.

As your Board, we feel that citizen involvement is the key to rational and reasonable land use management. The Board wishes to thank the many people who have taken the time and interest to serve on the Citizens Advisory Committee and attend public hearings on the Board's proposed zoning changes. However, the Board never has enough citizen involvement and, therefore, if you feel that you have the desire and time to assist the Board in shaping the future of Chester, please contact any member of the Board for information on how you may help us.

Respectfully submitted,

Denis Maloney, Chairman
Cynthia D'Agostino, Secretary (Alt.)
Malcolm R. Stone, Selectman
Ray Anderson
Robert Coggon
Angelo Lagana (Alt.)
Stephen Landau
Ted Mick (Alt.)
Leroy Noyes
John Spencer

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REPORT

During 1984, there were 5 new applications for variances and 2 new applications for special exceptions. There were 2 variance applications and 1 request for a rehearing of a variance application carried over from the previous fiscal year. The summary of results is as follows:

Approved	3
Conditionally approved	5
Withdrawn	1
Continued to following year	1

Also during 1984, the Board of Adjustment compiled a new application form which requires the submission of information pertinent to the request before the application will be accepted. This was done to prevent the lengthy delays of public hearings without adequate data to enable the Board to reach a decision.

When his term expired, Chairman, David Graham chose to leave the Board. Elected as new chairman was Nicholas Mathios. Other members of the Board include Althea Alexander, Robert Buelte, Albert Hamel, Deborah Healey, Priscilla Malcolm, and Darrell Watkins.

Public meetings of the Board are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 P. M. in the Town Hall. Cases to be heard are advertised in the Derry News on the first Thursday of the month. Public discussion of every case is encouraged and questions pertinent to issues concerning the Board are welcomed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nicholas Mathios
Chairman

BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT
July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984

Permits

New Homes	16
Renovations and Additions	33
New Buildings (Barns, etc.)	11
Pools	2
Chimneys	1

This year at Town elections, the towns people will be voting on a change in zoning regulations to create some control over multi-family and cluster housing development.

I strongly recommend that some form of regulations be enacted by the town to control the type and amount of growth in these areas.

Respectfully Submitted,
P. Mark Lowell, Selectman
Building Inspector

REPORT OF THE
SOUTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE PLANNING COMMISSION

Chester's membership in the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission provides the Selectmen and the Planning Board with access to a variety of extremely cost-effective staff services that are available to help them deal with numerous planning and planning-related concerns.

Staff services rendered under the Commission's local assistance program consists of (1) those which the Commission believes are important enough to warrant a general notification of all member communities and (2) those which are specifically requested by municipal officials in accordance with locally-determined priorities.

Local assistance services provided to the Town of Chester during the past year included:

- . Provided the Planning Board with guidelines concerning new statutory requirements pertaining to the scheduling and notice of public hearings on proposed amendments to the zoning ordinance and/or building code in preparation for the May, 1985 annual Town Meeting;
- . Provided copies of the composite tax map for use by the Selectmen's office, the Town Clerk and the Police Department;
- . Obtained a very favorable agreement with the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service and the Rockingham County Conservation District whereby the Town received updated soils information for use in the preparation of the master plan;
- . Co-sponsored the Municipal Law Lecture Series to which Chester officials were invited;
- . Co-sponsored the Natural Resources Lecture Series conducted by the Strafford and Rockingham Counties Conservation Districts and Cooperative Extension Service;
- . Assisted the Board of Selectmen in their efforts to have the appropriate State authorities further evaluate reported traffic problems at the intersection of N. H. Routes 102 and 121; and
- . Provided the Planning Board, Board of Selectmen and Town Counsel with information pertaining to the National Flood Insurance Program.

Chester's representatives on the Commission are:

Board of Commissioners: Mr. Mark Lowell
Mr. Charles Ryan

Executive Committee: Mr. Charles Ryan

WILCOMB-TOWNSEND HOME TRUST FUND

Chester, New Hampshire

July 1, 1983 - June 30, 1984

These funds are available to help with fuel, food, medicines, etc. to older persons, 55+ years of age, in the Town of Chester.

Many people have not realized that these monies are to be used each year and that they originally came from funds left by Chester individuals for this purpose. This trust was set up many years ago. Contact with any one of the Trustees may benefit the individual.

Monies on Hand (July 1, 1983)	\$ 4,481.35
Received from Trust Fund	
January, 1984	<u>6,900.81</u>
	\$11,382.16 +

Monies disbursed -

Rents	\$2,280.00	
Fuel	1,580.46	
Medicines	204.24	
Doctors	156.00	
Miscellaneous	39.09	
Ret. to Town Trust Funds	<u>2,401.88</u>	
	\$6,661.67	\$ 6,661.67 -

Missing ck. 2031	\$70.00	
Discount ck. 2090	<u>15.72</u>	
	\$85.72	<u>85.72 -</u>
BALANCE ON HAND	June 30, 1984	\$ 4,634.77 +

Trustees -

Byron Mills	1985
Philip Holmes	1986
Lois Hazelton	1987
Marilyn Aramini	1988
Ruth Monish	1989

Respectfully Submitted,

Ruth Monish
Secretary/Treasurer

EDWARDS MILL REPORT

In August, 1984, a renewed effort to restore one of the Town's historic land marks, "Edwards Mill" was begun. Assessing what needed to be done, it became apparent that control of North Pond water flow was the first essential step in the project.

Work was underway in late August on the North Pond Dam and completed late last Fall.

Clean up of the Edwards Mill site and removal of the water wheel and associated equipment was done. Access to both the front and back of the dam have been installed so that repair of the main dam and restoration of the Mill pond may be accomplished in 1985. Time permitting, construction of the Mill building is planned for late 1985-86.

My thanks to the volunteers efforts of Bill Boynton, Jack Cadieux, George Chaperon, Red Dolloff, Brian Folsom, Mark Lowell, Fred Price, Darrell Quinn, Scott St. Clair, Darrell Watkins, Steve Wilson, Keath Wolcott and their families for the many hours of time in this endeavor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Pike

Cash balance July, 1983		
Special savings	\$5,080.61	
Regular savings	391.75	
Checking account	<u>254.17</u>	
Total Funds available July, 1983		\$5,726.53
Expenses through January, 1984		-0-
Income through Jan., 1984 (Interest)		232.18
Cash balance January, 1984		
Special savings	5,281.08	
Regular savings	405.64	
Checking account	<u>271.99</u>	
		\$5,958.71

Respectfully Submitted,

Leonard A. Gallant

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM, INC.

Rockingham County Community Action Program, Inc. is a private, non-profit agency which has been dealing with the needs of low-income people since 1965. Our activities are of two kinds: (1) those directed at serving immediate, individual needs, and (2) those designed to involve communities in developing solutions to meet the specific needs of their local areas.

As an anti-poverty agency, Community Action addresses the needs of the low-income community by providing direct services, mobilizing community resources and encouraging people to advocate on their own behalf. Our outreach efforts are conducted primarily through Community Action outreach centers located in Portsmouth, Seabrook, Raymond and Salem.

While the goal of Community Action remains constant, the specific services offered vary somewhat from year to year in accordance with local needs and the availability of funding. The program offered to Rockingham County residents during the past year include the following:

1. FUEL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Description: The Fuel Assistance Program provided a financial grant of up to \$500.00 to income-eligible households during the 1983-84 winter to assist with energy-related expenses. Severe hardship recipients also qualified for up to \$150. of additional aid through a supplemental fuel assistance program.

Key to report: The top figure represents the number of households served; the bottom figure represents the dollar value of grants provided to recipients.

2. WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM

Description: The Weatherization Program provides quality materials and a trained staff to weatherize homes of income-eligible individuals in order to reduce heating costs and conserve energy.

Key to report: The top figure represents the number of households served; the bottom figure represents the cost of materials, labor, equipment and travel.

3. HEAT SOURCE REPAIR PROGRAM

Description: The Heat Source Repair Program provides for the repair or replacement of furnaces and heating units for low-income homeowners.

Key to report: The top figure represents the number households served; the bottom figure represents the cost of labor and materials.

4. HOME REPAIR PROGRAM

Description: The Home Repair Program provides home repair work not covered by the Weatherization Program such as major roof repairs, foundation repairs and minor structural repairs for low-income homeowners.

Key to report: The top figure represents the number of households served; the bottom figure represents the cost of labor and materials.

5. FAMILY DAY CARE PROGRAM

Description: Family Day Care offers a number of services to participating, private family day care providers, including training, assistance with state licensing, sponsorship of the USDA Child Care Food Program and a referral service to families in need of day care.

Key to report: The top figure represents the number of units of service provided (one unit equals one full-time slot for a twelve-month period); the bottom figure represents the cost for providing meals to children in Family Day Care homes, based upon a rate of \$38.66/child/month.

6. HEAD START

Description: The Head Start Program offers a comprehensive, early childhood development program designed to meet the need of low-income and handicapped children and their families.

Key to report: The top figures represent the number of children enrolled in the Head Start Program, followed by the number of units of service provided (one unit equals one child for one month); the bottom figure represents the cost of providing Head Start services, based upon a rate of \$269./child/month.

7. WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC) PROGRAM

Description: The WIC Program offers supplemental nutritious foods, nutrition education, breastfeeding support and health care referral to eligible pregnant women, nursing mothers, infants and children up to age five (5).

Key to report: The top figure represents the number of units of service provided (one unit equals one participant for a twelve month period); the bottom figure represents the value of the food package provided, based upon a rate of \$30./participant/month.

8. F. E. M. A.

Description: The F.E.M.A. (Federal Emergency Management Agency) Program provides emergency assistance for those in need of food or shelter. Monies are used for rental assistance, mortgage assistance, food purchases, as well as non-food supplies for Soup Kitchens and Food Pantries.

Key to report: The top figure represents the number of families who received assistance; the bottom figure represents the dollar value of grants provided to recipients.

9. CENTER SERVICES

Description: Center Services include a wide range of services offered by the outreach center personnel such as information and referral, advocacy, direct client assistance and crisis services.

Key to report: The top figure represents the number of calls or visits made to the outreach center during the year, excluding the visits made to apply for the Fuel Assistance Program; the bottom figure represents an estimate of the value of providing the particular services needed by each individual client.

Services Provided to Chester Residents
During Fiscal Year 1984

<u>Program</u>	<u>Number of Families Served</u>	<u>Value of Services</u>
Fuel Assistance Program	35	\$18,181.
Weatherization Program	1	528.
Heat Source Repair Program	1	1,918.
Home Repair Program	1	505.
Family Day Care	7.5	3,478.
WIC Program	10	3,600.
Center Services	159	660.
		<hr/> \$28,870.

DERRY VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

The Derry Visiting Nurse Association has proudly served the Town of Chester since 1970. The following and many other factors combine to continually demand that this agency be effective and flexible in responding to your community's home care needs.

- a rapidly growing population
- earlier hospital discharges
- longer life spans and an aging population
- escalating costs of institutional care
- increasing emphasis on prevention
- New Hampshire tradition of self reliance

The Derry VNA has a long proven record of serving participating communities with professional excellence and human caring. Services are offered under three major areas as follows.

ACUTE CARE SERVICES including acute nursing , physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, home health aide services, and other specialized services.

DAILY SUPPORT SERVICES including maintenance nursing, homemaker services, home health aide services, respite care, chore services, in home day care, and other specialized services.

HEALTH PROMOTION SERVICES including well child clinics, immunization clinics, expectant parents classes, new born visits, senior health clinics, public screening services, health promotion classes, home visits, and other services.

Town support of DERRY VNA facilitates the following.

Town funding allows the agency to access Medicare, Medicaid, block grants, Title XX and state funding. Sometimes town allocations are used to make up loses or deficits in these funding sources. The total value of all services delivered to Chester residents last year is over \$20,000.00.

Federal funds and grants usually are restricted to specific categories of illness, age, income, and time period. Many people needing our services simply do not fit those specific eligibility categories, Town funds are used to subsidize services to these people.

Town funding supports the overall quality of life in this area of the state by emphasizing human dignity, independence, healthy living, self reliance, community networking, and family values.

Following are some major statistics for Chester last fiscal year.

acute nursing visits	158
maintenance nursing visits	15
physical therapy visits	39
occupational therapy visits	17
speech therapy visits	7
acute home health aide visits	96
maintenance home health aide visits	27
senior clinic contacts	53
child health contacts	62

It is impossible to translate the above services into human values, but our clients and their families can testify to the meaning of home health care in their lives. The agency has a strong commitment to helping the elderly, the sick, and the handicapped to maintain their independence and dignity at home as long as feasible, in the most cost effective manner possible, as well as providing health promotional services to children and adults.

Chester representatives on the Board of Directors are Thereqsa Strack and Helen Tebo.

CENTER FOR LIFE MANAGEMENT
REPORT TO THE TOWN OF CHESTER

The Center for Life Management exists to help individuals, families and organizations solve problems and fulfill their human potential through the use of innovative problem solving techniques. In a professional and confidential atmosphere, the Center offers assistance in the form of counseling, education, medical services, program development and referrals. The professional staff tailors their approach to meet each individual client's needs.

The Center's services and programs are offered in a variety of settings: our own offices in Derry, Salem and Windham, business and industry, hospitals, schools, other organizations and agencies, and homes throughout Southern New Hampshire. We have grown in sensitivity and sophistication. Our new office and headquarters in the Salem Professional Park, and our new office at the Central Commons Building, Derry, were designed to protect each client's privacy and provide comfort.

Professionals at the Center share a common philosophy and complement each other's areas of expertise. The diversity of highly credentialed professionals and services is a response to the widely varied needs of the clients served. Depending upon the nature and severity of the client's concerns, one or a team of professionals provide immediate, goal-oriented problem--solving assistance.

ASSESSMENT AND STABILIZATION SERVICES

The first contact with the Center is a meeting with a highly trained assessment counselor. By phone or in person, the conversation with the counselor is private and confidential. Individuals may be referred to the Center or call the Center's 24 hour Emergency Service. In either case, clients will reach a professional trained in helping people identify their problems.

The Assessment staff first determines if the Center is the best source of help for the individual. The counselor then recommends the program or service which will be most beneficial. The Emergency Service is staffed 24 hours a day by a clinically trained specialist. Each year the Center refers hundreds of callers to the appropriate assistance. The clinicians respond to serious crises with immediate, personal attention, and the professional staff conducts crisis intervention training programs for police, medical personnel and community groups.

Those who require hospitalization receive attention and treatment at a number of local hospitals. Hospitalization is a last resort and every effort is made to minimize the length of stay.

The Assessment and Stabilization Services staff works closely with area police departments, probation officers, Welfare Departments and the medical community. The program, which is certified by the American Association of Suicidology as a suicide prevention and crisis intervention program, is one of 26 in the United States and one of four in New England.

INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY SERVICES

Every year more than 1200 individuals benefit from Individual and Family Services. The program provides individual, family and marital treatment including counseling and therapy, group treatment, a medication

clinic, psychological testing services, consultation with community groups and 24 hour, seven day a week emergency help.

Individuals who experience problems with alcohol or drugs receive assistance from program specialists who provide education, detoxification, treatment, family support and/or referral to area hospitals. The staff consults regularly with police, schools, courts and community agencies.

Help with personal problems related to aging, support to family members of aging persons and consultation with nursing homes, senior citizen groups, hospitals and other human service agencies are provided by trained clinicians. Homebound individuals receive professional assistance in their homes.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

The professionals at the Center realize that increased knowledge and understanding of life-coping skills help promote wellness. Last year the Center expanded its Education and Training Services and provided workshops, seminars and lectures to schools, business and industry, community organizations and other human service agencies. The programs are designed to help individuals, families and organizations cope with concerns before they require professional assistance.

Topics discussed are tailored to meet the needs of each specific group and may include parenting, substance abuse, time management, weight management and stress management.

WINDHAM INN

Developing self-confidence, restoring an independent life style and helping individuals relearn the skills needed for daily living are the goals at the Windham Inn. The program offers a positive alternative to hospitalization for some individuals. For others it provides a transition to the community after a period of hospitalization.

Clients with longstanding emotional disability who need ongoing and consistent involvement in a treatment program use the services at the Windham Inn to maintain and improve their life coping skills. These individuals often need to learn or relearn skills which expand their ability to cope and grow.

For all program participants, Windham Inn becomes a community of people who care and grow through their involvement with others. The Windham Inn provides a supportive, family atmosphere in which social, self-care, communication and work skills can be relearned and practiced. In this environment clients can regain their self-confidence.

The services of the Windham Inn include comprehensive assessment by a team of professionals; individual, group and family treatment (counseling and therapy); medication evaluation and supervision and instruction as to its effect; socialization and work readiness programs; life skills training; transitional employment in part-time and partially supervised settings in private business and industry; therapeutic camping program; placement and supervision in community housing facilities; and ongoing supportive counseling and job placement assistance.

BEHAVIORAL MEDICINE

The Center strives to provide emotional, intellectual and physical wellness by teaching the principles and techniques of life management and problem prevention. A review of literature in both medicine and psychology suggest that virtually all states of health and disease are in some degree related to behavior.

The Behavioral Medicine Services are designed to complement traditional medical treatment. Using a variety of innovative techniques including biofeedback and desensitization, program specialists develop individual treatment programs for clients with various problems including headaches and muscle tension, chronic pain, high blood pressure, weight problems, insomnia, panic attacks and anxiety. Each client's condition is assessed to determine the most effective treatment techniques. The procedures are designed to modify behaviors that adversely affect physical health and well-being.

The following services were provided to residents of the Town of Chester during the period of July 1, 1983 through June 30, 1984:

Clients Served	27
Client Visits	389
Service Units	3950
New Requests	22
Telephone Emergencies	22
Face to face Emergencies	9
Number of Reduced Fee Clients	7
Units of Service for Reduced Fee Clients	184
Cost of Service for Reduced Fee Clients	\$2,414.00
Total Discounted for Reduced Fee Clients	\$1,896.80
Total Collected from Reduced Fee Clients	\$517.20

To Report A Fire - Dial 3250
Emergency Phone Only
Fire House - Non-Emergency dial 3878

Permits required for all open fires. Arrangements for permits may be obtained by calling:

Raymond I. Dolloff, Jr.
887-3809

or

Steve Child
887-4741

Police - Dial 3229

Town Facilities

Disposal Area, Route 102

Saturdays, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

Effective July 1, 1985

Library

Tuesday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Thursday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Church Services

Chester Congregational-Baptist Church

4 Chester Street

Sunday 11:00 A.M. - Sunday School 9:30 A.M.

St. Jerome's Mission

Chester Congregational-Baptist Church

Lord's Day Mass Saturday 5:30 P.M.

Fellowship Bible Church of Chester

Rod and Gun Club Road

Sunday 9:30 A.M. and 6:30 P.M. - Sunday School 11:00 A.M.

Medical

Derry Area Ambulance Service - **432-2556**

Parkland Medical Center - **432-1500**

Poison Center-Mary Hitchcock Hospital, Hanover, NH **643-4000**

Derry Visiting Nurse Association - **432-7776**

Meetings

Town Meeting - 2nd Tuesday in May - Town Hall

Selectmen Meetings - Every Monday Night at 7:00 p.m.

Town Hall. Phone - **887-4979**

Town Clerk & Tax Collector -

Monday through Friday - 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Monday evening - 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. - Phone **887-3636**

Fire Meeting - 1st Tuesday of Month - Firehouse

Board of Adjustment - 3rd Wed. of Month-Town Hall 7:30 P.M.

Planning Board-1st and 4th Wed. of Month-Town Hall 7:30 P.M.